Jane Addams College of Social Work

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The Jane Addams College of Social Work offers work leading to the Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work. The Interdepartmental Concentration in Gender and Women’s Studies and the Graduate Concentration in Survey Research Methodology are available to doctoral students. The Jane Addams College also offers a program leading to the Master of Social Work degree; this professional degree program is not part of the Graduate College.

Admission Requirements

Applicants are considered on an individual basis. Transcripts from all colleges attended must be submitted. In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, applicants must meet the following program requirements:

Doctor of Philosophy

- **Prior Degrees** Master's degree required. Most applicants have a Master of Social Work degree; applicants with advanced training in other human service professions or in related social sciences are also eligible for consideration. Applicants must have satisfactorily passed a course in college-level statistics.
- **Grade Point Average** At least 3.00/4.00 in the final 60 semester (90 quarter) hours of undergraduate study and for all work beyond the baccalaureate.
- **Tests Required** GRE.
- **Minimum TOEFL Score** 580 (paper-based); 237 (computer-based); 80, with subscores of Reading 19, Listening 17, Speaking 20, and Writing 21 (new Internet-based TOEFL).
- **Letters of Recommendation** Four letters of recommendation required, ordinarily including former instructors and work supervisors. Contact the Jane Addams College of Social Work for more information.
- **Personal Statement** Required. Applicants must submit a statement of their interest in social work, their long range career goals and scholarly interests, and how those fit with the mission of the college.
- **Other Requirements** Applications must be submitted directly to the Jane Addams College of Social Work. Admissions are restricted to the fall semester.
- **Deadlines** Application deadline is February 15, or the next working day after February 15. Early application by January 1 is recommended for consideration for fellowships.

Degree Requirements

In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, students must meet the following program requirements:

Doctor of Philosophy

- **Minimum Semester Hours Required** 96 from the baccalaureate.
- **Course Work** At least 9 semester hours must be earned at UIC in each of two consecutive terms. Students are expected to complete the residence requirement during the first or second year of their study. Students without a Master of Social Work may apply for admission if they have advanced training in other human service professions or in related social sciences. If offered admission, such students must complete all requirements for the Master of Social Work degree before beginning doctoral courses.
- **Required Courses**: SOCW 508, 509, 577, 590, 591, 593, and 594.
- **Electives**: At least 15 hours must be in courses outside of the Jane Addams College of Social Work. Six hours of the outside credit must be in courses in the advanced statistics course supportive of the dissertation research. At least 9 credits of outside course work should constitute a single substantive emphasis. At least 6 additional course work credits are required (either at Jane Addams College or outside the college), at least 3 of which must be in advanced research methodology supporting the dissertation.
- **Examinations** Qualifying Examination: Required.
- **Preliminary Examination**: Required.
- **Dissertation**: Required.

Interdepartmental Concentration in Gender and Women’s Studies

Students earning a graduate degree in this department may complement their courses by enrolling for a concentration in Gender and Women's Studies after consulting with their graduate advisor. See Gender and Women’s Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences section for more information.

Interdepartmental Graduate Concentration in Survey Research Methodology

Students earning a graduate degree in this department may complement their courses by enrolling for a concentration in Survey Research Methodology. See Interdepartmental Graduate Concentration in Survey Research Methodology in the Graduate College section for more information.

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Master of Social Work

The Master of Social Work degree program develops knowledge, values, and skills necessary for competent and effective social work practice. The College offers a curriculum for advanced social work practice in four areas of concentration: Mental Health, Children and Family Services, Community Health and Urban Development, and School Social Work Practice. Also available to students enrolled in the MSW program (separate application required after admission to the MSW program) is a Certificate in Evidence-Based Mental Health Practice with Children approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE).

Full-time students complete the degree in two years. A three-year master’s program, known as the PM Option, is also available. Under the PM Option, students extend the usual first year of full-time study over two years, with classroom courses scheduled in the late afternoon and evening. Students in the first year of the full-time program and for the first two years of the PM Program are assigned a class schedule by the Jane Addams College of Social Work. In their third year, PM students must register for full-time study in the regular day program.

For applicants who have earned a Bachelor of Social Work degree from a CSWE accredited program within the last six years, the college offers admission with Advanced Standing. These students typically complete the Master of Social Work Program within two semesters or two semesters and a summer.

The Master of Social Work at UIC is considered a professional program and is not administered by the Graduate College. For more information on the MSW program, admission requirements, and the application process, please consult the following Web sites:

- MSW admission process and requirements: http://www.uic.edu/jaddams/college/academic/Admissions%20Requirements.htm
- MSW degree requirements: http://www.uic.edu/jaddams/college/academic/Degree%20Requirements.htm

IBHE Certificate in Evidence-Based Mental Health Practice with Children

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EBP Certificate Program Director: Sonya Leathers, PhD

The Jane Addams College of Social Work offers a Certificate in Evidence-Based Mental Health Practice with Children approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE). Only students admitted to the MSW program and enrolled in the Mental Health concentration are eligible to apply for admission to this certificate program. The certificate program offers students in their concentration year who have a career interest in working with children with mental health issues advanced training in evidence-based practice with children with mental health problems.

In addition to the Mental Health concentration coursework, students in the certificate program have a field placement in one of several specially selected mental health agencies committed to using evidence-based practice to treat children with mental health issues. Along with their agency-based field supervisors these students also participate in a series of specialized integrative seminars.

The IBHE Certificate in Evidence-Based Mental Health Practice with Children at UIC is considered a professional program and is not administered by the Graduate College. For more information on this program, admission requirements, and the application process, please consult the following Web sites: http://www.uic.edu/jaddams/college/academic.html

- Certificate requirements: http://www.uic.edu/jaddams/college/academic/academic_mswe.html
- Certificate course information: http://www.uic.edu/jaddams/college/academic/MSW%20plans%20of%20Study.htm