

# MASTER OF SCIENCE (M.S.)

## Major in Social Work

### objectives:

To develop leadership in the field of social welfare within the context of national development goals and priorities.

### Specific

1. To prepare students for competence in advanced direct practice.
2. To develop competence for advanced practice in social policy and planning, class and field teaching, administration and supervision and research.

### Feature of the course

The M.A. Major in Social Work curriculum is patterned after the MAR-EXA of INDEX. The students are agency-based so that their action program would be relevant to their work and directed toward finding solutions to defined problems in their work stations. The training program consists of packaged courses in human behavior, research methods, social administration, social work field practice, advance casework, groupwork and community organization, sozcial policies and services and project proposal writing. The students are required to make an action research proposal which they have to defend in place of a thesis. Classes are conducted during Saturdays and Sundays so the training program will not disrupt the students' vital functions in their social agency settings. All candidates for the master's degree in social work are required to complete the following courses:

### COURSE OFFERING:

SW 101 - Seminar on Human Behavior in Organizations  
SW 102 - Seminar on Research Methods  
SW 103 - Seminar on Social Administration  
SW 104 - Seminar on Methods I: Working with Individuals  
SW 105 - Seminar on Methods II: Working with Groups  
SW 106 - Seminar on Methods III: Working with Communities  
SW 201 - Seminar on Social Policies and Programs  
SW 202A - Guidance and Counseling  
SW 202B - Statistics  
SW 202C - Action Research I/Proposal Writing  
SW 202D - Action Research II  
SW 203 - Generalist Social Work Practice  
SW 204/PA 207 - Information Technology  
SW 205 - Issues and Current Social Work Practice

<b>MS Major in Social Work</b>	<b>42 units</b>
I. Basic Courses	12 units
II. Major Courses	15 units
III. Cognates	9 units
IV. Action Research	6 units

- I. Basic Courses** **12 units**  
SW 101 (Seminar on Human Behavior in the Helping Professions)  
SW 102 (Seminar on Research Methods)  
SW 202B (Statistics)  
SW 203 (Generalist Social Work Practice)

- II. Major Courses** **15 units**  
SW 104 (Seminar on Social Work Method I: Working with Individuals)  
SW 105 (Seminar on Methods II: Working with Groups)  
SW 106 (Seminar on Methods III: Working with Communities)  
SW 103 (Seminar on Social Administration)  
SW 201 (Seminar on Social Policies and Programs)

- III. Cognates** **9 units**  
SW 202A (Guidance and Counseling)  
SW 204 (Information Technology)  
SW 205 (Issues and Current Social Work Practice)

- IV. Action Research** **6 units**  
SW 202C (Action Research I/Proposal Writing)  
SW 202D (Action Research II)

### **Course Description**

- 101 SEMINAR ON HUMAN BEHAVIOR IN THE HELPING PROFESSIONS** **3 units**  
Emphasis on behavior of people and change agents in a given social organization. Basic psychological and sociological concepts useful in dealing with individual and group behavior.

- 102 SEMINAR ON RESEARCH METHODS** **3 units**  
Steps in the design and conduct of social research from problem definition to analysis, interpretation and writing of research report.

- 103 SEMINAR ON SOCIAL ADMINISTRATION** **3 units**  
Basis of social policy, the process of policy formulation and the translation of social policy into social services as an institutional function. Basic theories and principles of management in social work and social welfare, management by objectives, and operation and network analysis.

- 104 SEMINAR ON SOCIAL WORK METHODS I: WORKING WITH INDIVIDUALS REVIEW OF THEORIES, METHODS AND PROCESS** **3 units**  
Deals with analysis of approaches utilized in working with individuals. Emphasis on clinical/institutional work.

- 105 SEMINAR ON SOCIAL WORK METHODS II: ADVANCE PRACTICE OF SOCIAL GROUP WORK** **3 units**  
Over the years, Social Group Work has been extensively used in a wide

variety of settings. Social Group Work is more used in public welfare, mental health, corrections, child welfare, schools, hospitals, senior citizens, women groups, and the like. A look at this Group work settings.

**106 SEMINAR ON SOCIAL WORK METHODS III: ADVANCE PRACTICE OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION** **3 units**

From a concern to improve and protect the mental health of people to an equal concern about the mental health of social systems - the environment in which the clients live.

**201 SEMINAR ON SOCIAL POLICIES AND PROGRAMS** **3 units**

A study of the bases, the making and the implementation of social policies. Focuses on the impact of the social policy on the design and delivery of services.

**202A GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING** **3 units**

An overview of the theories and practices of counseling without emphasizing a particular theoretical orientation. Included are major findings of those who have studied counseling theory, methods and processes.

**202B STATISTICS** **3 units**

Understanding the principles involved in various statistical methods and their appropriate application in the analysis of social science data.

**202C ACTION RESEARCH I/PROPOSAL WRITING** **3 units**

Application of the research theories and processes in the development of an action research proposal plan to be presented to the panel for approval. Data gathering follows.

**202D ACTION RESEARCH II** **3 units**

Continuation of actual research work based on the approved proposal. Preparation of the first draft of the findings of the study as basis for enrichment in consultation with the designated adviser. Revised draft of the action research paper is presented to the panel for final defense.

**203 GENERALIST PRACTICE IN SOCIAL WORK** **3 units**

Applications to actual macro practice situations as well as the strengths perspective are emphasized. Organizational and community theories are examined and linked to practice applications. Links the three levels of practice - micro, mezzo, macro, for students to see how the three skill levels are used in everyday practice situations. Emphasizes the evaluation of practice, focuses on the differential use of communication skills with colleagues and community members, demonstrates the appropriate use of supervision, and examines practitioner functioning within organizational structures.

**204/PA 207 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY****3 units**

Use of the computer in research and data processing; the study of computerized information systems to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of public agencies; hands-on experience with micro-computers and the development of the students' capacity to create computer related solutions to administrative problems.

**205 ISSUES AND CURRENT SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE****3 units**

Discussion of the relevance and social implications of selected current issues. Analysis of the application of SW in these areas of practice.

**MS Thesis Primer**

The action research is a requirement for graduation. It is a research work done when all the academic courses in the program are finished. Full-time students usually take one year and for part-time students two or more years to finish the thesis. During the first Research subject the student is already guided in a topic for the research work.

The Graduate School has compiled copies of research work for students to refer to as research models.