



Why Carleton's MSW?

- Focuses on Social
  Justice, Equity and
  Social
  Transformation
- **Small Cohorts**
- National Capital
  Advantage for
  Practicum

## **Our Programs:**

Everyone graduates with a Master of Social Work (MSW) We offer a generalist MSW: combo of research, community, clinical, and policy practice.

### **Foundation Year:**

**Fall term:** 4 core courses (one is worth 1.0 credit) **Winter term:** one core course and Practicum 1

**Summer term:** registration is not required, students may choose to take an elective course or two to ease courseload in the Advanced Year.

#### **Advanced Year:**

**Fall term:** Two core courses, and an elective course (two elective courses if in the Foundation year program)

Winter term: Three elective courses (four if in the foundation year program)

Summer term: Practicum (or thesis which needs to begin prior to fall of advanced year)

### **SMALL COHORTS**



- 25-30 students per MSW cohort
- Start your year with an intensive class that allows you to get to know and work closely with your fellow students

A Graduate Student Collective is involved in all aspects of the Graduate program

## Field Education and Links To Employment



### **Practicum**

- Each MSW student will complete either 2 (two) practicums or 1 (one) practicum in order to earn a MSW degree:
  - Two year (Foundation)- 2 practicums (undergraduate degree in a discipline other than social work)
  - One year (Advanced)- 1 practicum (undergraduate degree in social work)
- Each placement consists of a minimum of 438
  hours in the field setting, plus 12 hours of in-class
  seminars with a small group of fellow
  placement students and a Registered Social
  Worker The purpose of field education is to
  enable students to connect the theory and skills
  taught in the classroom with practice in the
  field setting, and acquire practice skills that
  reflect understanding of and commitment to
  the core values and standards of professional
  social work practice.



### **Practicum Locations**

Students attend agency fairs and practicum orientations, and work one-on-one with our MSW Practicum Coordinator to identify placements that suit their interests, ideal work environment, and skills.

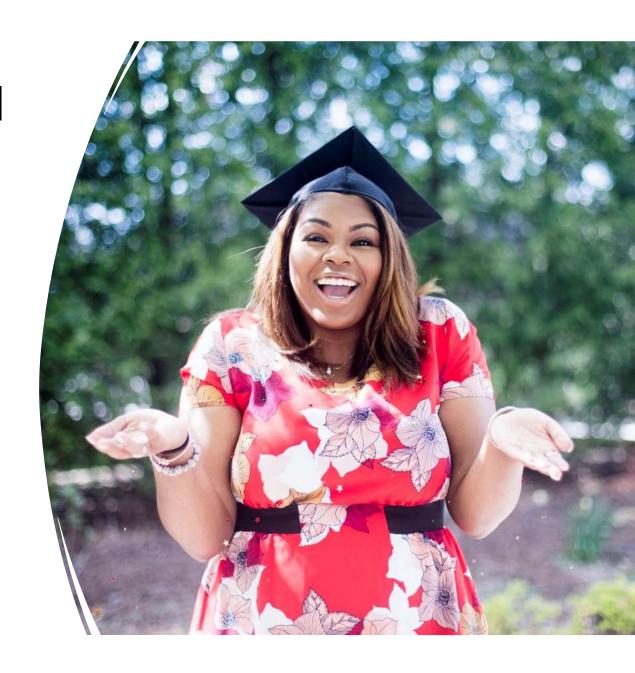
Some of our placement partners are:

- Ottawa Inuit Children's Centre
- Department of National Defence
- Jaku Konbit
- Children's Aid Society
- Military Family Resource Centre
- Muslim Family Services of Ottawa
- The Ottawa Hospital, CHEO, Royal Ottawa Health Centre
- Jewish Family Services Ottawa
- Miinwashin Lodge Counselling
- Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada
- Canadian Mental Health Association



# Where Do Social Workers Work?

- Direct Practice
  - Counselling
  - Child welfare
  - Correctional institutions
  - Addictions/rehabilitation
  - Hospitals (with graduate training)
- Social Policy
  - Advocacy organizations
  - Federal, provincial, or municipal government
- Community Development
  - Community health centres





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### MSW Application

**GPA** 

Human Services Experience – quality and quantity

Statement - thoughtful answers to the 2 questions

Equity - addressing structural barriers experienced by Black, racialized, Indigenous, disabled and LGBTQI2S identified students

# Tell us about the Rubric!

GPA:  $\sim 1/3$  of your score

Related Experience : Quality and Quantity: ~ 1/3 of your score

Your Statement: ~1/3 of your score

References and Self-Identification from Equity Groups MATTER



### **MSW Application Tips**

- Include all applicable experience did you deal with humans who were in distress or difficult? (customer service?) Did you care for anybody? Did you write and think critically in a job or as a volunteer?
- Ensure you answer the questions in the statement. Don't use a statement for another School and think it will work.
- Be scholarly where appropriate. To describe a social problem, cite literature, statistics, or other evidence.
- Write carefully to reflect who you are and what you think. In a time of AI, we want to see YOU shine through.
- References: Do your best to get instructors who know you or who keep good records! Don't worry. We know it's tough sometimes.
- If you have something to bring to the attention of the admissions committee (reason for poor grades, reason for lack of academic reference, etc.) include a short rationale at the end of statement document



If your goal is to build your knowledge and skills to work toward social justice, equity and social transformation, you have come to the right place!

- Our students graduate to jobs in clinical practice, community development, research and policy work
- They work in social services agencies, health care organizations, provincial and federal departments and ministries, municipal services, private practice, schools, academic settings and more.
- Many of our graduate students move quickly into administrative, supervisory and other leadership roles.

### **Important Application & Program Links!**

https://carleton.ca/socialwork/master-of-social-work/

https://carleton.ca/socialwork/msw-admissions/

https://carleton.ca/socialwork/msw-faqs/

https://carleton.ca/socialwork/msw-information/

https://graduate.carleton.ca/apply-online/

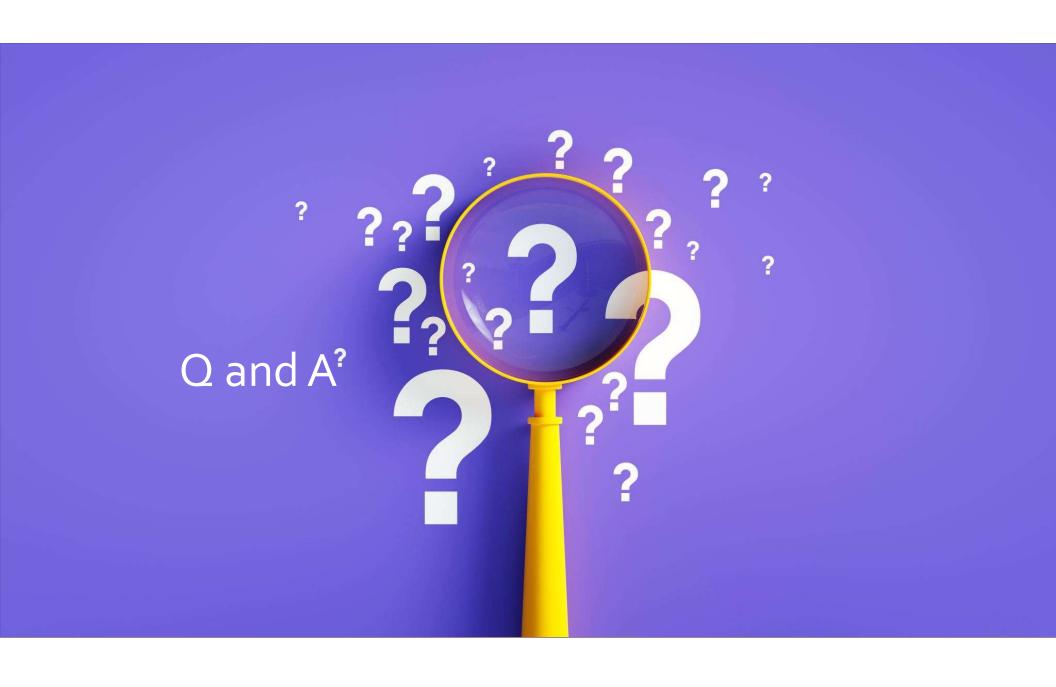
https://graduate.carleton.ca/apply-online/required-documents/

https://graduate.carleton.ca/application-faq/

https://graduate.carleton.ca/application-status/

https://graduate.carleton.ca/financial-assistance/







## Thank-you!

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