Master of

Social Work (Qualifying)

Moreton Bay, Semester 1 2023

Program structure

Required courses (12) 192 units

SWK700 Master of Social Work Field Education 1(36 units)
SWK701 Master of Social Work Field Education 2(36 units)
SWK703 Introduction to Social Work
SWK704 Advanced Direct Practice 1
SWK705 Advanced Direct Practice 2
SWK706 International and Global Social Work
SWK708 Engaging and working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples
SWK710 Advocacy and Leadership in Social Policy and Legal Contexts
SWK777 Children, Youth and Families: Challenges, Critique and Change
SWK785 Social Work in Health and Mental Health
SCS725 Advanced Social Research
SCS730 Advanced Social Work Theories for Practice

Note: Not all UniSC courses are available on every UniSC campus.

Total units: 192

Study sequence

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (MORETON BAY)	UNITS	REQUISITES
SWK703 Introduction to Social Work	• Semester 1	12	
SWK704 Advanced Direct Practice 1	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in any PGRD Program
SCS730 Advanced Social Work Theories for Practice	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in any postgraduate program
SWK708 Engaging and working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples	• Semester 1	12	

Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (MORETON BAY)	UNITS	REQUISITES
SWK700 Master of Social Work Field Education 1	• Semester 1, Semester 2	36	Pre: Course Coordinator Consent Required. 36 units from Program AR707 (excluding

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			SWK701) and including SWK704
SCS725 Advanced Social Research	• Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in a Postgraduate Program

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (MORETON BAY)	UNITS	REQUISITES
SWK710 Advocacy and Leadership in Social Policy and Legal Contexts	• Semester 1	12	
SWK777 Children, Youth and Families: Challenges, Critique and Change	• Semester 1	12	
SWK705 Advanced Direct Practice 2	• Semester 1	12	Pre: SWK704
SWK785 Social Work in Health and Mental Health	• Semester 1	12	

Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (MORETON BAY)	UNITS	REQUISITES
SWK701 Master of Social Work Field Education 2	• Semester 1, Semester 2	36	Pre: Course Coordinator Consent. SWK700, SWK705 and enrolled in Program AR707
SWK706 International and Global Social Work	• Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in any PGRD Program

Program requirements and notes

In order to graduate you must:

- Successfully complete 192 units as outlined in the Program Structure
- All students are required to complete a minimum of 140 hours (equivalent to 20 full days) of face-to-face classroom-based learning, the focus of which is professional practice skills. At least 35 hours (equivalent to 5 full days) of face-to-face professional skills learning must occur before the first placement.
- Professional skill competencies that must be demonstrated in classroom learning include but are not limited to: advanced oral communication skills and professional documentation; assessment, engagement and decision-making with individuals and groups; developing the personal and professional insight and emotional intelligence required for effective use of self as a professional.
- Successfully complete 2 field education placements for a total of 1000 hours in different settings

In order to commence field education placement, you must:

- Hold a valid Blue Card, throughout the duration of your program, which is issued by the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian (CCYPCG). You should allow 12 weeks for CCYPCG to issue the card. Note: students who do not possess a valid Blue Card or become ineligible will be unable to complete the field education component of their program and will be unable to meet graduation requirements
- Have a National Criminal History check (by Queensland Police Service or other state/territory authority)
- Travel to attend field education placements at your own expense

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- Please note, while all endeavours will be made to place students in a given semester, this is not guaranteed, and students may need to enrol at a later time should a position in an agency be unavailable in the preferred semester
- Have all required mandatory vaccines

Program notes

- Semester 2 commencement is available as part-time only (please see the study sequence for further details).
- Semester 2 commencement is not available to international students on a Student Visa
- Completing this program within the specified (full-time) duration is based on studying 48 unit points per semester (normally 4 courses) and following the recommended study sequence
- The unit value of all courses is 12 units unless otherwise specified
- It is each students responsibility to enrol correctly according to your course requisites, program rules and requirements and be aware of the academic calendar dates
- Prior to entry into the program applicants will be required to submit their current Blue Card.
- Refer to the University's English language proficiency requirements
- Only a full-time study option is available to international students on a Student Visa
- Refer to the Managing your progression page for help in understanding your program structure, reviewing your progress and planning remaining courses.

WIL notes

- It is a Queensland Government requirement that students undertaking a placement within a clinical setting are fit tested annually for an approved respirator. Clinical settings include hospitals, residential aged care facilities, residential disability care facilities, prison health services, youth detention health services, community health care settings, and vaccination clinics. If the Fit Testing requirement applies to placement activity within your Program, it will appear in your mandatory checks on Sonia Online. In accordance with Australian Standards, you must be clean shaven for your fit test. Facial hair that lies along the sealing surface of a tight-fitting respirator prevents an effective seal. Therefore, it is a requirement that there is no hair growth between the skin and the facepiece sealing surface in order to achieve a fit. At this stage, there is no exemption in Queensland to this requirement for religious or other reasons and UniSC is unable to waive this requirement.
- *It is no longer a requirement that students in Master of Social Work (Qualifying) are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.*

  Please note that some placement host organisations have chosen to continue requiring COVID-19 vaccination. If you are not fully vaccinated, it is important to know that placement opportunities in your program may be limited and may result in a delay to your placement.

  UniSC still strongly recommends that all students undertaking placement are fully vaccinated and provide evidence of this vaccination status to the University.

- For more information on mandatory requirements refer to Social Work - Placement.

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