

## **Master of Social Work Program Frequently Asked Questions:**

**Q:** How do I obtain an admission packet?

**A:** Admission packets are available by contacting the Department of Social Work (330-941-1598) or the School of Graduate Studies and Research (330-941-3091).

**Q:** Can I attend the program part-time?

**A:** Yes. The regular program requires 60 semester hours. Requirements for completion can be achieved in one of 3 progression options: 2 years full-time, 3 years modified full-time, or 4 years part-time.

**Q:** Are evening courses available?

**A:** Yes, Courses in the program are offered on weekday evenings and on Saturdays during the day.

**Q:** Is financial aid available?

**A:** Yes. Some limited financial aid through Department of Social Work scholarships and paid internships is available. Additionally, students should contact the School of Graduate Studies and the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships for additional sources of student financial assistance.

**Q:** Can I transfer academic credit hours earned from other programs or educational institutions?

**A:** Yes. Graduate course credits earned from other educational institutions evaluated as equivalent to courses required in the MSW program may be transferred to the MSW degree. A maximum of 9 semester hours may be transferred.

**Q:** Can I complete my social work field internship hours at my place of employment?

**A:** Possibly. The MSW Internship Coordinator works closely with students to develop quality practice-based educational experiences for students. In instances where the student's educational experience is not compromised in their existing place of human services employment, an employment-based internship may be approved.

**Q:** Does admission to the program require that I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work?

**A:** No. While a social science degree is preferred, the program considers applicants in possession of a Bachelor's degree from a range of disciplines.

**Q:** Is the MSW program accredited?

**A:** Yes. The program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.