

# SOCIAL WORK DEGREE

Career Option



## What is Social Work?

Social work is a profession devoted to helping people overcome challenges they face in everyday life. Social workers adhere to ethical principles based on social work core values. A degree in Social Work expands job opportunities as many jobs require an advanced social work degree.

## Career examples with a social work degree:

- School Social Worker
- Mental Health Specialist
- Substance Abuse Counselor
- Child & Family Therapist
- Healthcare Social Worker
- Community Service Manager
- Social Work Professor
- Child Abuse Investigator
- Hospice Social Worker
- Community Outreach Worker
- Human Services Specialist
- Probation Officer
- Behavioral Management Aide

## Social Work Degrees offered at CSUSB



**BASW:** the Bachelor of Arts in Social Work is the entry level professional degree in the field of Social Work. Our CSWE accredited BASW program is an exciting and highly structured program that prepares students for employment as social workers in a variety of agencies and settings, along with further education in social work and related fields. The BASW Program is offered at both the San Bernardino and Palm Desert Campuses.



**MSW:** the Master of Social Work degree is designed to prepare advanced social work practitioners as change agents in complex situations, leaders, and interprofessional and interagency collaborators. The MSW program emphasizes the National Association of Social Workers' core social work value, professionalism and excellence in critical analysis.

## Areas of Focus in Social Work

- Public Child Welfare
- Children, Youth & Family
- Adult & Aging
- Mental Health
- Schools
- Legislation

### San Bernardino Campus

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# How do I get a Social Work degree at CSUSB?



Volunteer & get involved in social service activities



Take GE courses & additional courses to meet program requirements



Register to attend a BASW Information Session



Apply to the BASW Program by deadline before your junior year at CSUSB



Work closely with Social Work advisors.



Talk to a counselor at your school



Contact the School of Social Work at CSUSB

Apply for scholarships & internships 

Apply to CSUSB!



If desired, apply for MSW Degree Program 



Once accepted into the BASW Program, stay involved & meet requirements!



Graduate with a BASW degree 

Start working in field or get MSW degree 

Graduate with MSW degree

Start working in the field & if desired, continue to get your social work licensure (LCSW), Doctoral degree in social work (PhD), or both!