DOCTORATE
in Clinical Social Work

Enhancing clinical leadership skills in
» Education
» Supervision
» Practice Theories
Program Overview

The DSW is a practice-oriented doctoral degree, and the DSW program in clinical social work will prepare licensed social workers for leadership roles in academic and agency settings. Building on the NYU Silver School of Social Work’s recognized excellence in clinical social work training, the DSW program offers state-of-the-art coursework on theory, evidence-based practices, research, and policy, as well as intensive writing workshops. Our program provides the opportunity for an internship in either teaching or clinical supervision.

This executive-style program structure allows you to continue working full-time. You will take courses or workshops for eight semesters over a 3-year period conveniently scheduled on alternate Fridays, except for a compressed summer session and elective courses taken in other NYU schools. Select classes may contain an online component. In lieu of a dissertation, the graduation portfolio requirement consists of writing two publishable papers under the direction of an adviser and committee, as well as presentation of your work at a professional conference.
Core courses include:

- Philosophies of Knowledge and Mind
- Social Theories and Their Relationship to Clinical Practice
- Contemporary Theories of Clinical Practice I and II
- Social Work Research: Past and Present
- Clinical Social Work and Social Policy: Past and Present
- Evidence-Based and Evidence-Informed Practices
- Implementing Evidence-Based and Evidence-Informed Practices
- Contemporary Understanding of Human Development and Well-Being
- Theories of Social Justice
- Trauma-Informed Treatment
- Treatment of the Addictions
- Teaching Clinical Practice (taken in conjunction with the academic teaching internship)
- Supervision/Field Education (taken in conjunction with the field-based learning internship)
- Publication Development Workshops I, II, and III
- Choice of three electives, including courses in other NYU schools
- In lieu of one or more electives, students have the option of independent studies with NYU Silver faculty members.

Admission Requirements:

- Master's degree in social work with a graduate grade point average of 3.5 or higher, based on a 4-point scale
- Minimum of two years post-MSW practice experience
- LMSW or equivalent required with an LCSW or equivalent strongly preferred
- Competitive score on the Miller Analogies Test completed within the past 12 months
- International students are also required to submit TOEFL scores if English is not the first language
- Three academic and/or work-related letters of reference
- Current curriculum vitae/resume
- A recent professional writing sample
- Personal essay
- Interview as requested by the Admissions Committee

For more information, visit: socialwork.nyu.edu/admissions.
DSW Program Committee Faculty

The NYU Silver DSW program is fortunate to have an outstanding faculty renowned for their clinical, theoretical, policy, and research expertise. The faculty serve in leadership roles in professional organizations, scholarly journals, national research committees, and taskforces.

DSW Committee Faculty Include:

**Carol Tosone, PhD, LCSW**
*Professor and Director, DSW Program*

Dr. Tosone is a professor of social work and recipient of the NYU Distinguished Teaching Award. She is the editor-in-chief of the *Clinical Social Work Journal*, a distinguished scholar in the National Academy of Practice in Social Work, recipient of the Postgraduate Center Memorial Award in recognition of clinical excellence, and chair of NASW Private Practice Section Committee.

**Jeane Anastas, PhD, LMSW, ACSW**
*Professor of Social Work; Director, Strategic Planning and New Initiatives*

Dr. Anastas teaches a variety of courses in the MSW and PhD programs. Her most recent book is *Doctoral Education in Social Work* (Oxford University Press, 2012). She is past president of NASW and recipient of CSWE’s Award for Greatest Recent Contribution to Social Work Education.

**Judith Siegel, PhD, LCSW**
*Professor*

Dr. Siegel is a professor of social work and editor of the *Journal of Family Social Work*. She is the coordinator of NYU Silver’s post-master’s certificate program in child and family therapy. She is widely published in the areas of couples treatment and the application of neurobiology to social work practice.
Victoria Stanhope, PhD, MSW, MA  
*Associate Professor*

Dr. Stanhope teaches policy and research courses in the MSW program. Her area of interest is mental health services and her research, funded by the National Institute for Mental Health, focuses on client and provider relationships, person-centered care, and implementation.

S. Lala Straussner, PhD, LCSW  
*Professor*

Dr. Straussner is a professor of social work and director of the School’s post-master’s certificate program in clinical approaches to the addictions. Dr. Straussner is the founding editor of the *Journal of Social Work Practice in the Addictions* and was the 2013-14 Fulbright Distinguished Chair at Masaryk University in the Czech Republic.

Jerome Wakefield, PhD, DSW  
*University Professor; Professor of Social Work; Professor of the Conceptual Foundations of Psychiatry, NYU School of Medicine; Affiliate Faculty and an Advisory Board Member, NYU Center for Bioethics; Affiliate Faculty, NYU Center for Ancient Studies; Advisory Board Member, NYU Humanities Initiative; Honorary Faculty, NYU Institute for Psychoanalytic Education*

Dr. Wakefield’s clinical training and experience have been within the mental health field and were integrative, including psychodynamic, cognitive, behavioral, and family training, with work in agencies as well as private practice. His scholarly specialty is the conceptual foundations of clinical theory. He is the author of over 200 publications appearing in journals and books in psychology, philosophy, psychiatry, psychoanalysis, and social work, dealing with issues at the intersection of philosophy and the mental health professions.
For more information, visit:

socialwork.nyu.edu/academics/dsw-program

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A 25% tuition discount is available for field instructors currently working with NYU Silver graduate students.