THE NYU SILVER Experience
OUR PROGRAMS

The NYU Silver School of Social Work’s curriculum reflects the most current evidence-informed multidisciplinary knowledge. Within a global perspective, the links between practice, research, and policy are integrated throughout the curriculum, as is a focus on social and economic justice and working competently with diverse and at-risk populations. In the classroom you will learn from world-class faculty who are developing the latest evidence-based practices, and intensive field internships will provide you with real world, professional experience.

Renowned for its strong tradition of clinical excellence and dedication to social justice, the School is paving the way in training students in integrated health, palliative and end-of-life care, and other innovative and emerging areas of social work practice. You will also have the opportunity to study around the world with NYU Silver programs in New York, Shanghai, and Latin America.

NYU Silver has been a pioneer in training 16,000 social work practitioners and leaders in every area of the field since its founding in 1960. The School offers a continuum of education—BS, MSW, post-master’s, DSW, and PhD programs—for the next generation of social workers.

*Fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education

DIVERSITY at NYU Silver

A commitment to diversity is a governing philosophy reflected in every aspect of your educational experience here. We actively recruit across the country for students from diverse backgrounds, which is reflected in the profile of MSW students enrolled in fall 2014.

MSW Student Profile: 2014

Once at NYU Silver, you can become involved in a range of student groups, such as the Students of Color Collective, Pride in Practice, Chinese Student Support Group, and the Latino Social Work Student Organization. The School also hosts the Social Justice and Diversity Grant Challenge, encouraging students to design programs that strengthen our diversity and social justice programmatic offerings.
An extraordinary range of faculty research and scholarship contributes to social work practice, social policy, and your education at NYU Silver. Faculty members are tackling society’s most pressing problems by creating innovative, evidence-based interventions. The School is particularly known for its pioneering work around poverty; children, youth, and families; and mental health and science that enhances practice. In addition, the faculty conduct work around the world—including in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Central America, South America, and Europe—and teach and develop research methodology and analysis for both qualitative and quantitative methods.

The Silver School is the home of Information for Practice (IP), the only centralized Web resource covering professional news and new scholarship from around the world. Visit IP, created and maintained by Professor Gary Holden, at ifp.nyu.edu.

To learn more about current research initiatives at NYU Silver, visit: socialwork.nyu.edu/research/research-strengths.

Research Centers
The School houses research centers that foster and disseminate research targeted at issues important to social work.

Center for Latino Adolescent and Family Health
www.clafh.org

McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research
www.mcsilver.org

Center on Violence and Recovery
www.centeronviolenceandrecovery.org

NYU-ECNU Joint Institute for Social Development at NYU Shanghai
shanghai.nyu.edu/research/social
MSW ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

General Requirements for Admission:

• A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university with a minimum of 60 liberal arts credits
• A strong academic record and demonstrated intellectual capacity for graduate education
• Evidence of emotional maturity, concern for people, and capacity for self-awareness and personal growth
• Demonstrated concern and commitment to the values underlying professional social work
• Respect for diversity

For more information about admission requirements and to access our MSW application, please visit: socialwork.nyu.edu/admissions

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Silver School of Social Work is committed to providing financial assistance in the form of scholarships to our most competitive applicants. Applicants should indicate in their applications that they wish to be considered for our merit-based Silver School scholarships. Applicants are also strongly encouraged to review and apply for one of over 60 named scholarships available to MSW candidates.

• Over $10 million in scholarships awarded each year
• Approximately 90 percent of full-time students receive some form of scholarship
• 100 percent of part-time students receive some form of scholarship
• Merit-based scholarships range from $7,000-$15,000 annually

Tuition Breakdown

Example of a full-time, two-year MSW tuition and financial aid package:*

• Tuition: $1,250 per point on average
• Total: approximately $41,299/year (based on 33 points)

Financial Aid Package:

• Silver School Scholarship: $10,000 (average award, if received)**
• Child Welfare Scholarship: $3,500**
• Unsubsidized Stafford Loan: $20,500
• Private/PLUS Loan: $5,000 - $30,000
• Federal Work Study: $3,000
• Total: approximately $42,000/year†

* The Board of Trustees of New York University reserves the right to alter the schedule of fees without notice.
** Students must be eligible for scholarship to be considered for award. Please refer to: socialwork.nyu.edu/admissions/msw/scholarships-financial-aid
† Financial aid and scholarship amounts vary depending on need, merit, and competitive scholarship application process. This example does not factor in housing/living expenses for the student; the Office of Financial Aid (www.nyu.edu/financialaid) does take miscellaneous/living expenses into account when creating an award package. Prospective students should contact the Office of Financial Aid at financial.aid@nyu.edu for more information on federal and private loans.
AT A GLANCE  Quick Facts about the School and the MSW Program

Students

- Entering class size: 500 full- and part-time MSW students
- Average GPA: 3.4
- Average age: 26
- Class size: required courses — 22-27 students; practice courses — 15 students

Student Life

NYU Silver hosts several social, educational, and career and professional development events throughout the year. The School offers a flexible online career and professional development program (@SilverCPD) that guides MSW students through the career exploration and job search process. The curriculum is complemented by a wide variety of career programming available online and in person.

There are many student groups and councils you can join to get involved, including:

- Animal Assisted Therapy in Social Work
- Chinese Student Support Group
- Feminists of Silver
- Gerontology Student Collective
- Graduate Student Association
- Latino Social Work Student Organization
- Phi Alpha National Honor Society
- Pride in Practice
- Social Workers on Public Policy
- Student Collective for Global Social Work
- Students of Color Collective

Alumni

The School’s Alumni Network—more than 16,000 working professionals—constitutes a major social work resource in the metropolitan area and across the country, providing services, leadership, and education. Approximately 85 percent of graduates obtained a position within six months of program completion (according to NYU Silver’s annual alumni survey). Graduates of the class of 2014 obtained positions in areas including mental health, child welfare and families, health, addictions, aging, and school social work.

To learn more about the Silver School’s alumni, visit: socialwork.nyu.edu/alumni/alumni-in-action/stories-of-alumni-in-action

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