

Advance and Waiver Credit Policies

You may be eligible to receive credit for courses taken at a CSWE accredited program of social work or graduate degree program in a field related to social work. You can apply for a maximum of 12 advance or waiver credits (6 can be from electives). The following criteria must be met in order for advance or waiver credit to be considered:

- You must have received a grade of B or higher;
- The course must have been taken in the past five years;
- The course is not a field instruction or required social work practice course.

We strongly suggest that you read the course descriptions on our website (www.socialwork.nyu.edu) to determine if your courses are similar. Courses at NYU most frequently granted advance or waiver credit include the following: Human Behavior in the Social Environment I; Human Behavior in the Social Environment II; Social Welfare Programs and Policies I; and Social Work Research I.

You can apply for **Advance Credit** if you have completed comparable graduate coursework in a similar social science discipline or Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) accredited social work program and the course taken at another school was *not* used towards receipt of another degree. Advance credit allows you to replace required NYU MSW coursework with coursework taken at another school.

You can apply for **Waiver Credit** if you have completed comparable graduate coursework in a similar social science discipline and the course taken at another school was used towards receipt of another degree. Waiver credit allows you to replace a required NYU MSW coursework with an NYU elective course.

Application Process

Include the following with your application for advance or waiver credit:

- Official transcript with grades;
- Syllabus and reading list for each course.

Please submit your application and supporting documents to the Admissions Office. Syllabi and application can be submitted via email to: ssw.advancedcredit@nyu.edu. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. The Advance Credit and Waiver Committee requires applications to be submitted at least 6 weeks prior to the beginning of the semester you would take the course for which the advance credit or waiver is being sought. Please note that you should submit a complete application before the end of your *first semester*.

Exceptions and Specific Policies:

Advance Credit Policy for Undergraduate Social Work Majors Not Enrolled in our Advanced Standing Program:

If you earned an undergraduate degree at a CSWE accredited social work program, you can apply for 12 advance credits using courses earned towards your undergraduate degree. The above criteria apply.

Waiver Credit for Research Courses:

Waiver credit for a required MSW research course allows students to choose a more advanced research course as an alternative. Options include approved electives in the MSW program, research methods courses in our School's PhD program, and other graduate research courses at NYU.

Blanket Credit Policy for Advanced Standing Students:

Admitted students to NYU's Advanced Standing Program automatically receive 33 blanket credits. However, enrolled students who were admitted conditionally need to submit an official final transcript during their *first semester* that confirms their undergraduate social work degree in order to receive blanket credits.

Students who have taken courses at NYU Silver School of Social Work as a Nonmatriculated Student:

If you earned a grade of 'B' or better in our MSW courses taken within the past five years, the credits automatically transfer to the MSW degree. Paperwork is not required.

Contact the Office of Admissions & Enrollment at (212) 998-5910 or e-mail ssw.advancedcredit@nyu.edu if you have any questions.



Email/Drop off Complete Applications at:
 NYU Silver School of Social Work
 Admissions and Enrollment Services Office
 Transfer Credit Application
 1 Washington Square North, Room 102
 New York, NY 10003-6654
 ssw.advancedcredit@nyu.edu

Application Contents:
 1. Syllabus and reading list for each course
 2. Official transcript containing grades
 3. Supportive documentation when necessary

Date: _____ Name: _____ UID# _____

Phone: _____ NYU E-Mail: _____ Alternate E-Mail: _____

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| Course Completed Elsewhere | | | | NYU Silver Course Credit Requested | | Official Use Only | | |
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| 1. | _____ COURSE # | _____ GRADE | _____ CREDITS | _____ TERM (SEM/YR) | I would like ADVANCE CREDIT WAIVER CREDIT | APPROVED | DENIED | _____ INITIALS |
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