

Social Work Program



Welcome to Social Work at Meredith College!

We are pleased that you are interested in becoming a professional social worker through our Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Program.

The Meredith BSW is an accredited degree program that will prepare you to enter professional practice and/or to apply for advanced standing status in a master of social work program. The Meredith program, like all accredited social work programs, requires each prospective student to be formally admitted before she may enroll in the first social work practice course, SWK 304 Generalist Practice with Individuals. A student may complete no more than 12 semester hours in social work before being admitted to the program.

Your social work advisor will also serve as your advisor for the admission process. Please discuss with her any questions you may have about the program or admission procedures. You must submit all your admission materials to your social work advisor.

Application deadlines for admission:

January Admission - Deadline October 1st

August Admission - Deadline May 1st

The social work faculty admissions committee meets once each semester to make decisions about students who have submitted their admission application packets.

To review the criteria for admission, check the Meredith College Social Work Program Catalogue, page 5, or online at <http://www.meredith.edu/socwork>.

Use the checklist on the following page to be sure you complete each step of the admission process. When the application has been completed, please submit the application via mail, fax or online. A member of the social work faculty will contact you to schedule an admission interview.

Dr. Cynthia Bishop, Social Work Program Director
3800 Hillsborough Street, 309 Ledford Hall, Raleigh, NC 27607
Phone 919-760-8438 Fax 919-760-8083 Email bishopc@meredith.edu

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Admissions Checklist

- Declaration of Major:** Complete the enclosed form, present to the Social Work Program Director for signature and then submit it to the Office of the Registrar, 120 Johnson Hall.

- Application for Admission:** Complete the enclosed application form and submit it to your social work advisor.

- Recommendations:** A recommendation for admission must be provided by 1) a Meredith College social work faculty member who has taught you in at least one course and 2) a second faculty member from another discipline (at Meredith or another institution) who has taught you in at least one course.

- Admission Interview:** Once your application materials have been submitted, a member of the social work faculty will contact you to schedule an admission interview.

- Notification of Admission Decision:** You will be informed in writing of the decision of the Admission Committee in reference to your application.

- Appeal Process:** Should you object to the Committee's decision, you may appeal the decision in writing to the Social Work Program Director.

STATEMENT OF CAREER GOAL

Please address the following: What attracted you to social work and what have you done to learn more about it? How do you plan to use your education and training? Does your academic record reflect your ability? If not, explain. What particular strengths do you possess that qualify you for the program?

If you have questions or need more information, contact your social work advisor. Submit this completed form to your social work advisor. If you prefer, you may submit your information through the Social Work Program website at <http://www.meredith.edu/socwork>. A social work faculty member will contact you to schedule your admission interview.

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Faculty Recommendation



(Name of Student)

requests that you recommend her for admission to the Meredith College Social Work Program, which is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. The primary objectives are to prepare students for beginning professional social work practice and/or for continuing the study of social work in advanced degree programs.

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Have you taught the student in a class for college credit? Yes No*

*If no, please sign and return the form.

If yes, please complete the remainder of this form.

Title of Course Taught: _____ Course #: _____

Please rate the student on each item below by placing a check in the appropriate column.

EVALUATION ITEM

Level of maturity and emotional stability

Consistency in class attendance

Punctuality in meeting deadlines

Cooperative attitude

Academic Performance

Quality of interpersonal relationships

Respect for and ability to work with people different from herself on conditions related to age, class, color, culture, disability, ethnicity, family structure, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex and sexual orientation.

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Please check the response that represents your recommendation regarding this student's admission to the Meredith College Social Work Program.

- Strongly Recommend Admission
- Recommend Admission
- Recommend Admission with Reservations

Please describe reasons: _____

- Do Not Recommend Admission

Please describe reasons: _____

Please comment on favorable attributes you believe the student can bring to the social work profession.

Please comment on unfavorable attributes you believe the student would need to strengthen in order to become an effective social worker.

Thank you for completing this recommendation.

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Signature

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