

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK (RANK1)

Rank 1 Program in School Social Work

Unit: College of Education and Human Development (<https://louisville.edu/education/>) (GE)

Department: Special Education, Early Childhood, and Prevention Science (<https://louisville.edu/education/departments/sped/>)

Program Website (<https://louisville.edu/education/degrees/rank/>)

Academic Plan Code(s): SW_ _RK1

Program Information

Rank 1 programs are not degree programs.

The Rank 1 program in School Social Work includes the School Social Work Concentration. It is designed for the Advanced Practitioner P-12.

Rank 1 programs are planned graduate level programs designed for Kentucky teachers seeking rank change for salary purposes. They are recognized only in the state of Kentucky. By state regulation, Rank 1 status is sixty (60) credit hours of approved graduate credit including a master's degree.

Admission Requirements

Students in this Rank-1 program are required to satisfy/provide the following:

- Complete graduate application (<http://louisville.edu/graduate/futurestudents/apply-materials/application/>) to the Graduate School
- Signed Professional Code of Ethics/Technology User Agreement
- Completion of Official Program along with School Social Work specialization program sheet.

Students may apply to the program by first going to the Graduate School (<https://graduate.louisville.edu/admission/apply/>) website. Admission requirements include the following credentials:

- Teaching certificate
- TOEFL/IELTS/Duolingo (Students holding a baccalaureate or advanced degree from an accredited institution in the U.S. are exempt from this requirement.)
- There may be additional admission requirements, depending on the Rank 1 program that you select. Please contact the Teaching and Learning Department for specific information.
- Official transcripts with a GPA of 2.75 in the Bachelor's degree and a GPA of 3.0 in the Master's degree.
- Applicants who have attended a college or university outside of the United States are also required to submit an evaluation of their transcript through either WES (World Education Services) (<http://wes.org/>) or ECE (Educational Credential Evaluators) (<http://ece.org/>). Please note that transcript evaluations can sometimes take several weeks.

Please have transcripts sent to:

Graduate School

Graduate Admissions
University of Louisville
Louisville, KY 40292

If transcripts are sent electronically, please have them sent to gradadm@louisville.edu.

Contact information:

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Certification Requirements

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Code	Title	Hours
Inquiry (Critical Thinker)		
MSSW 668	Program Evaluation in Social Work	3
MSSW 669	Advanced Research Practice II	3
Leadership		
Select one of the following:		3
EDSP 652	Academic and Behavior Response to Intervention	
ECPY 740	Psychometrics and Affective Instrument Development	
LEAD 575	Instructional Technology	
LEAD 607	Principles of Educational Leadership	
Diversity		
Select one of the following: ¹		
EDSP 545	Exceptional Children in the Regular Classroom	3
or EDSP 540	Introduction to Exceptional Children	
Action (Problem Solver)		
EDSP 669	Single Case Research Methods and Designs	3
Area of Emphasis		
Select at least 15 credit hours:		15
MSSW 630	School Social Work: Policy and Practice	
EDSP 644	Applied Behavior Analysis ²	
MSSW 615	Mental Health	
MSSW 636	Advanced Death & Grief	
ECPY 605	Human Development	
ECPY 607	Learning Theory and Human Growth and Development	
Electives		
Select Three (3) credit hours:		3
ECPY 624	Foundations of School Counseling	
ECPY 639	Prevention & Treatment of Substance Use Disorders	
ECPY 732	Counselor Education Seminar: Promoting Social Change-Leadership	
MSSW 662	Substance Use and Substance Use Disorders	
MSSW 642	Psychopathology	
MSSW 657	Group Methods	
MSSW 660	Motivation and Change: The Process of Change and Strategies to Elicit Intrinsic Motivation.	
EDSP 510	Legal Issues in Special Education	
EDSP 671	Behavior Intervention	

EDSP 673 Research Seminar in Autism Spectrum Disorders

Minimum Total Hours**33**

Exit Requirements

Hallmark Assessment Task for EDSP 669 or equivalent project that demonstrates proficiency in the Advanced-Level Kentucky Teacher Standards.

Course project must address all of the Advanced-Level Kentucky Teacher Standards. Successful completion of portfolio.

Additional Requirements

Up to fifteen (15) credit hours of graduate credit may be transferred to the Rank 1 program, as long as the student will have completed 60 credit hours of approved graduate credit.

Including a master's degree at the end of the Rank 1 program: transfer credit must be officially accepted by the advisor and final acceptance is dependent upon receipt of official transcripts.

In the Rank 1 program at least fifteen (15) credit hours of new graduate coursework must be taken at the University of Louisville.

To complete the program, students must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average. No credit shall be accepted for carrying a grade lower than a B-minus.

Some courses are required for students completing the School Social Work specialization and Rank 1 program.

This degree program sheet must be accompanied by a signed School Social Work specialization program sheet as well.

¹ One of these courses in the Diversity section must be completed for School Social Work Specialization

² Courses are required for students completing the School Social Work Specialization and Rank I program.