

MSW and Dual Degree Programs Application

Liberal Arts Perspective

NOTE: If you have a bachelor's degree from the University of California or the California State University System you meet the liberal arts requirement and do not have to complete this form. Please indicate this information below and sign at the bottom.

My degree is from the University of California or the California State University system.

The purpose of the liberal arts perspective is to prepare students for problem solving of the real world practice challenges that they will find in their field work and throughout their social work career in development of the professional self.

To assess your academic preparation in the liberal arts, please complete this form and submit it with your other application materials. Special training in each area may also be listed. Applicants who do not list at least one course in each area may only be admitted on a conditional basis and will be required to complete liberal arts coursework prior to becoming a classified graduate student

Liberal Arts and its Relationship to Social Work Practice-list at least one course in each area, school, and date completed. Courses may meet more than one of the required areas.

Knowledge of diverse cultures, social conditions, social problems, cultural diversity, and organizational and community functioning--courses like anthropology, sociology, ethnic studies, cultural pluralism, economics, foreign languages, geography, humanities, art, literature, history, philosophy, etc.)	
Ability to think critically about social policy and its effect on people and knowledge of the policy making process-political science, history, economics, public administration, urban studies, and social work.	
Knowledge of the social and psychological determinants of human behavior-child/human development, psychology, sociology, criminal justice, and biology.	
Knowledge of family and group processes and dynamics-child development, human development, family studies, psychology and sociology.	
Knowledge of one's own cultural and historical heritage in contrast to other cultures in the community-American history, ethnic history, multicultural courses, and social/ racial problems.	
Ability to communicate knowledge, attitudes, and ways of thinking that are characteristic of a broadly educated person-literature, communications, journalism, creative writing, public speaking, debate, foreign languages, and linguistics.	
Knowledge of research methods and scientific inquiry-research, logic, math, statistics, computer science, and biology.	

Applicant Name: _____ Date: _____