# MSW Advanced Standing Curriculum Snapshot

**Department of Children, Youth and Families**

## Full-Time (3 Semesters)

**Semester 1: 9 Units**  
Research and Critical Analysis for Social Work with Children and Families (608)  
Introduction to Social Work Practice with Children, Youth and Families (609)  
Social Work Practice with Children and Families Across Settings (610)  

**Semester 2: 14 Units**  
Social Work Practice with Children and Families in Early and Middle Childhood (613)  
Social Work Practice with Adolescents, Young Adults and their Families (621)  
Advanced Elective* or Option Course**  
Advanced Applied Learning in Field Education (699A)  
Integrative Learning for Advanced Social Work Practice (698A)  

**Semester 3: 14 Units**  
Policy and Macro Practice in Children, Youth and Family Services (627)  
Leadership in the Social Work Profession and Organizations: Theory and Practice (611)  
Advanced Elective* or Option Course**  
Advanced Applied Learning in Field Education (699B)  
Integrative Learning for Advanced Social Work Practice (698B)  

**Total units required to graduate** 37

## Part-Time (5 Semesters)

**Semester 1: 9 Units**  
Research and Critical Analysis for Social Work with Children and Families (608)  
Introduction to Social Work Practice with Children, Youth and Families (609)  
Social Work Practice with Children and Families Across Settings (610)  

**Semester 2: 8 Units**  
Social Work Practice with Children and Families in Early and Middle Childhood (613)  
Advanced Applied Learning in Field Education (699A)  
Integrative Learning for Advanced Social Work Practice (698A)  

**Semester 3: 8 Units**  
Policy and Macro Practice in Children, Youth and Family Services (627)  
Advanced Applied Learning in Field Education (699B)  
Integrative Learning for Advanced Social Work Practice (698B)  

**Semester 4: 6 Units**  
Social Work Practice with Adolescents, Young Adults and their Families (621)  
Advanced Elective* or Option Course**  

**Semester 5: 6 Units**  
Leadership in the Social Work Profession and Organizations: Theory and Practice (611)  
Advanced Elective* or Option Course**  

**Total units required to graduate** 37

Curriculum subject to change.
*Sample Advanced Electives
Social Work in Early Care and Education Settings (623)
Social Work in Juvenile Justice Settings (624)
Mental Health Practice with Children and Adolescents (677)

Pupil Personnel Services Credential (PPSC)

- **Program**: students who graduate from this program earn two credentials to be able to work in California school settings: a PPSC in school social work and a PPSC in child welfare attendance
- **Field placement**: requires a field placement with a minimum of 600 hours in a school during the second year
- **Required course**: 614 Social Work Practice in School Settings
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**Options**

An option offers the opportunity to students to customize their education by selecting two related electives in particular areas of interest that are crucial to the development and well-being of children, youth and families. An option is not required to complete the MSW program.

**Child and Adolescent Mental Health**

- 677 Mental Health Practice with Children and Adolescents *and one of the following*:
  - 602 Advanced Theories and Clinical Interventions with Families
  - 620 Social Work Practice with Transitional Youth

**Juvenile Justice**

- 624 Social Work in Juvenile Justice Settings *and one of the following*:
  - 620 Social Work Practice with Transitional Youth
  - 677 Mental Health Practice with Children and Adolescents

**Military Social Work**

- 640 Clinical Practice with the Military Family *and one of the following*:
  - 641 Clinical Practice with Service Members and Veterans
  - 650 Military and Veterans Policy and Program Management

**Public Child Welfare**

- 619 Social Work Practice Public Child Welfare Settings *and one of the following*:
  - 620 Social Work Practice with Transitional Youth
  - 624 Social Work in Juvenile Justice Settings