PRE-PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

PRE-SOCIAL WORK

Social work is a profession concerned with helping individuals, families, groups, and communities to enhance their individual and collective well-being. Social workers are primarily employed in health service agencies and government administration. Hospitals and the education system offer other employment opportunities.

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YOUR EDUCATION

Year 1: Pre-Social Work at The University of Winnipeg

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- To meet the entrance requirements of the bachelor of social work program at the University of Manitoba (Fort Garry Campus), you must complete 30 credit hours (one year) of study with a minimum 2.5 (C+) or higher Adjusted Grade Point Average (AGPA).

Years 2-4: Professional Studies: Social Work

- During your first year at The University of Winnipeg, you will apply for admission to social work at another university. Enrolment in social work programs is limited and admission is based on scholastic performance and aptitude for the profession. Volunteer work can be an asset.

- At least three more years of study are required to complete a social work program.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Most students who study Pre-Social Work at The University of Winnipeg will apply for admission to the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Manitoba, but you may choose to apply elsewhere. While there are no specific course requirements to enter the bachelor of social work program at the University of Manitoba, you must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours of university study before applying for
admission to the Faculty. You may want to consider taking courses in areas related to human behaviour, such as Psychology, Sociology, Conflict Resolution, Criminal Justice, or Developmental Studies.

It is recommended that 3 credit hours of Written English and 3 credit hours of Mathematics be completed as part of the 30 credit hours of study prior to admission to the Faculty of Social Work. If these requirements are not met in the pre-professional program they must be satisfied prior to graduation from the Faculty of Social Work.

Please see University of Manitoba Faculty of Social Work Applicant Information Bulletin for complete details. As admission requirements may change from year to year, students are encouraged to review the Bulletin yearly in anticipation of any changes that need to be incorporated into their plans.

YOU SHOULD ALSO KNOW...

You may apply to any social work school in Canada, or apply to schools in the United States or elsewhere. Explore your options online or contact the University’s Career Services Department.

Note: You must consult with the school where you plan to complete your studies to ensure you choose an appropriate set of courses, and that you will meet the entrance requirements for your Social Work program of choice.

REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

You must meet The University of Winnipeg’s general admission requirements. No specific courses are required.

HOW TO APPLY

For details on application requirements and deadlines, and to apply online to UWinnipeg, please visit: uwinnipeg.ca/apply.

Note: Admission to The University of Winnipeg does not guarantee admission to social work.

(In any case where the University’s Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.)

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