

Frequently asked questions (FAQS)

The Ethelyn R. Strong School of Social Work

1. When is the application deadline for the MSW program?	The application deadline for fall admissions is March 1st of the following year. The application deadline for summer advanced standing program is February 1st of the following year. (Example: If you are seeking admission for fall 2022, the application deadline would be March 1, 2022.)
2. What are the admission requirements for the MSW program?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For the two year or three extended program, the minimum GPA is 2.7. For the summer advanced standing program, the minimum GPA is 3.5.• Completion of 21 hours in social sciences courses, 15 hours in liberal arts courses, a social sciences statistics course, and a human biology course
3. Where do I find the graduate application?	You may access the online graduate application from any NSU webpage. The APPLY tab is located in the upper right corner of all NSU webpages. Click on the APPLY tab and then scroll down to the online graduate application to start the process.
4. What is required with the online application?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Three references: Two professional references and one character reference.• A current resume• Official transcripts from every college that contributed to your undergraduate degree• A completed academic summary• A personal statement
5. Is this an online program?	We are not an online program, and the vast majority of classes are held in person. We do offer several classes online.
6. What are the financial aid options?	Applicants are eligible to apply for various types of financial aid including scholarships, stipends, and graduate assistantships.
7. Do you offer evening classes?	Yes, our evening classes are 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm.
8. What types of scholarship opportunities are available to students?	First-year and second-year students are invited to participate in research projects, co-author articles, and present at regional and national conferences with faculty.
9. Is an internship required?	Yes. An internship is required for each semester of the two-year program and the last four semesters of the three-year program. Each semester of the advanced standing program requires an internship.
10. How many hours per week are required for the internship?	During the first year of the two-year program and the second year of the three-year extended program, students participate in three six-hour days of internships. During the second year of the two-year program and third year of the three-year extended program, students participate in three seven-hour days of internships.
11. Are there any opportunities for specializations?	The Ethelyn R. Strong School of Social Work offers five specializations: Clinical, Child Welfare, School Social Work, Military Social Work, and Macro Social Work.