

## 2025-2026 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

### 36-Credit Hybrid Advanced Standing Program

The University of Maryland Baltimore's 36-credit Hybrid Advanced Standing Program integrates in-person, hybrid, and online coursework with in-person practicum experience. Coursework and practicum are tailored to a concentration of **Clinical** or **Leadership, Policy, and Social Change**.

#### **CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS:**

Advanced Standing students typically transfer the 24 credits of the Foundation curriculum listed below from their BSW program, which fulfill the corresponding pre-requisites for advanced coursework. However, if the corresponding course was not offered in the BSW program, or if the student earned a grade lower than a "B" in that course, they must enroll in that MSW Foundation course successfully complete the MSW program.

FOUNDATION COURSEWORK	Cr.
SOWK 600: Social Welfare and Social Policy	3
SOWK 630: Social Work Practice with Individuals	3
SOWK 631: Social Work Practice with Communities and Organizations	3
SOWK 632: Social Work Practice with Groups and Families	3
SOWK 635 and SOWK 636: Foundation Practicum I & II	5
SOWK 637 and SOWK 638: Foundation Practicum Seminar I & II	1
SOWK 645: Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3
SOWK 670: Social Work Research	3
TOTAL CREDITS: 24	

#### **ADVANCED CURRICULUM:**

Advanced Standing students are required to take 36 credits based on their selected concentration. Requirements include an advanced policy course, four 3-credit methods courses in a selected concentration and three 3-credit electives.

#### **Advanced Practicum**

The advanced practicum setting is determined by the concentration, which students declare on their advanced practicum application. Advanced practicum is two consecutive semesters scheduled typically during regular business hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, unless otherwise specified by the agency. Students have the option of a two-day a week Advanced Extended practicum that runs through July. Students who choose an extended practicum graduate in July.

#### **Program Concentrations**

Students are required to select a concentration (**Clinical** or **Leadership, Policy, & Social Change**). Students can select a secondary concentration. Those who select a primary and secondary concentration are placed in their Advanced practicum based upon their primary concentration. A secondary concentration will expose the student to

some of the other concentration's content through two courses. Each concentration has specific course requirements, which are identified below.

Clinical Concentration Requirements		
CLINICAL	CLINICAL/LPSC	Cr.
Any Advanced Policy	Any Advanced Policy	3
SWCL 700: Advanced Clinical Interventions	SWCL 700: Advanced Clinical Interventions	3
SWCL 744: Assessment, Diagnosis, & Intervention Planning	SWCL 744: Assessment, Diagnosis, & Intervention Planning	3
Core Clinical Methods ( <b>Choose One</b> ): SWCL 703, SWCL 711, SWCL 715, SWCL 722, SWCL 756, or SWCL 773	Core Clinical Methods ( <b>Choose One</b> ): SWCL 703, SWCL 711, SWCL 715, SWCL 722, SWCL 756, or SWCL 773	3
Clinical Methods (Any Course with a SWCL prefix)	Clinical Methods (Any Course with a SWCL prefix)	3
Elective (Any 3-Credit Advanced Level Course)	SWOA 701: Advocacy	3
Elective (Any 3-Credit Advanced Level Course)	LPSC Methods (Any Course with a SWOA prefix)	3
Elective (Any 3-Credit Advanced Level Course)	Elective (Any 3-Credit Advanced Level Course)	3
SWCL 794, then SWCL 795: Advanced Practicum I & II	SWCL 794, then SWCL 795: Advanced Practicum I & II	12
TOTAL CREDITS: 36		

LPSC Concentration Requirements		
LPSC	LPSC/CLINICAL*	Cr.
SOWK 701: Public Policy for Social Justice I (Fall only)	SOWK 701: Public Policy for Social Justice I (Fall only)	1.5
SOWK 702: Public Policy for Social Justice II (Spring Only)	SOWK 702: Public Policy for Social Justice II (Spring Only)	1.5
SWOA 701: Advocacy	SWOA 701: Advocacy	3
<b>Choose Three:</b> SWOA 703, SWOA 704, SWOA 707, SWOA 708 (spring only), or SWOA 709 (spring only)	<b>Choose Three:</b> SWOA 703, SWOA 704, SWOA 707, SWOA 708 (spring only), or SWOA 709 (spring only)	3
Elective (Any 3-Credit 700-Level or SOWK 699)	SWCL 700 <u>or</u> SWCL 744	3
Elective (Any 3-Credit 700-Level or SOWK 699)	Clinical Methods (Any Course with a SWCL prefix)	3
Elective (Any 3-Credit 700-Level or SOWK 699)	Elective (Any 3-Credit Advanced Level Course)	3
SWOA 794, then SWOA 795: Advanced Practicum I & II	SWOA 794 then SWOA 795: Advanced Practicum I & II	12
TOTAL CREDITS: 36		

\*LPSC Students with a long-term goal of obtaining LCSW-C licensure within the state of Maryland should choose the LPSC/Clinical Concentration.

## CURRENT COURSE OFFERINGS

All course descriptions may be found online under MSW Academics on the school's webpage.

*Not all courses are offered every semester or every academic year. All courses listed are 3 credits unless otherwise noted.*

All CLINICAL Methods Courses have a SWCL Prefix.

All LPSC Methods Courses have a SWOA Prefix.

### FOUNDATION COURSES

SOWK 600	Social Welfare and Social Policy
SOWK 610	Structural Oppression and its Implications for Social Work Practice
SOWK 630	Social Work Practice with Individuals – taken concurrently w/SOWK 635 & 637
SOWK 631	Social Work Practice with Communities and Organizations – taken concurrently w/SOWK 630, 635, & 637 or the summer prior to SOWK 630, 635 & 637
SOWK 632	Social Work Practice with Groups and Families – taken concurrently w/SOWK 636 & 638
SOWK 635	Foundation Practicum I- taken concurrently with SOWK 630, 631, & 637 (fall only)
SOWK 636	Foundation Practicum II- taken concurrently with SOWK 632 & 638 (spring only)
SOWK 637	Foundation Seminar I- taken concurrently with SOWK 630, SOWK 631, & 635 (.5 credits, fall only)
SOWK 638	Foundation Seminar II- taken concurrently with SOWK 632 & SOWK 636 (.5 credits, spring only)
SOWK 645	Human Behavior and the Social Environment
SOWK 670	Social Work Research

### ADVANCED POLICY COURSES (prerequisite SOWK 600)

SOWK 701	Public Policy for Social Justice I (1.5 credits, Fall Only)
SOWK 702	Public Policy for Social Justice II (1.5 Credits, Spring Only)
SOWK 704	Social Work and the Law
SOWK 708	Integrated Behavioral Health Policy
SOWK 715	Children and Social Services Policy
SOWK 725	Work, Well-being and Social Policy

### CLINICAL METHODS COURSES (prerequisites SOWK 630, 631, 632, 635, 636, 637, and 638 unless otherwise specified)

SWCL 700	Advanced Clinical Interventions – <u>prerequisites: SOWK 630, 631, 635, &amp; 637</u>
SWCL 703	Family Therapy (meets core clinical methods requirement)
SWCL 704	Integrated Behavioral Health Practice (spring only)
SWCL 705	Clinical Social Work with Addictive Behavior Patterns
SWCL 709	Tele-behavioral Health: Delivery of Clinical Social Work Services [1 credit]
SWCL 711	Clinical Social Work with Children and Adolescents (meets core clinical methods requirement)
SWCL 712	Clinical Social Work Practice for Chronic and Life-Threatening Health Conditions
SWCL 714	Child and Family Health (spring only)
SWCL 715	Clinical Applications of Mindfulness and Stress Reduction (meets core clinical methods requirement)
SWCL 722	Cognitive Behavioral Therapies – <u>additional prerequisite: SWCL 700</u> (meets core clinical methods requirement)

SWCL 726	Clinical Social Work with African American Families
SWCL 727	Clinical Practice with Families and Children in Child Welfare
SWCL 730	Recovery-Oriented Interventions for Adults with Serious Mental Illness - <u>additional prerequisite: SWCL 744</u> (spring only)
SWCL 748	Clinical Social Work Practice in Relation to Death, Dying & Bereavement (spring only)
SWCL 749	Clinical Social Work Practice with LGBTQI+ Communities
SWCL 750	Social Work in Special Education
SWCL 754	Neurodiversity-Affirming Social Work Practice
SWCL 756	Motivational Interviewing in Social Work Practice (meets core clinical methods requirement)
SWCL 760	Dialectical Behavior Therapy
SWCL 773	Adult Trauma and Clinical Social Work Practice – <u>additional prerequisite: SWCL 700</u> (meets core clinical methods requirement)
SWCL 775	Clinical Social Work Practice with Immigrants and Refugees
SWCL 776	Core Concepts in Trauma Treatment for Children & Adolescents– <u>additional prerequisites: SWCL 700 &amp; 744</u>
SWCL 779	Interprofessional Collaboration in Healthcare Delivery [1 credit]

**LPSC METHODS COURSES (prerequisites SOWK 630, 631, 635, and 637, unless otherwise specified)**

SWOA 701	Advocacy
SWOA 703	Program Development
SWOA 704	Community Organization
SWOA 707	Social Policy and Social Change
SWOA 708	Supervision and Leadership – <u>prerequisites: SOWK 632, 636, &amp; 638</u> (spring only)
SWOA 709	Remake the World: Skills AND Strategies of Community Action – <u>prerequisites: SOWK 632, 636, &amp; 638</u> (spring only) (NOTE: This is offered as a 3-credit course AND 1-credit courses by topic)

**ADVANCED FIELD INSTRUCTION (prerequisite of 27 credit Foundation curriculum)**

SWCL 794	Advanced CLINICAL Practicum I [6 credits]
SWCL 795	Advanced CLINICAL Practicum II [6 credits]
SWOA 794	Advanced LPSC Practicum I [6 credits]
SWOA 795	Advanced LPSC Practicum II [6 credits]

**OTHER COURSES (there may be prerequisites and they will be noted on the course schedule each semester)**

SOWK 699	Special Topics [1-3 credits]
SOWK 705	International Social Work [3 credits unless otherwise indicated] – This course is taken in conjunction with travel to various destinations, and includes pre-departure classes and post-trip debriefings, presentations, and subsequent planning.
SOWK 767	Intimate Partner Violence – Anti-Oppressive and Healing-Engaged Practice – <u>prerequisite: SOWK 645</u>
SOWK 798	Independent Study [1-3 credits]