

## BASW APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Thank you for your interest in our program!

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### Admission to the Social Work Program

Application for admission to the Social Work Program is required of all students desiring to progress toward a social work major. Students may apply to the major at the completion of the sophomore year and after completing or with current enrollment in required prerequisite goal areas and courses. Students accepted into the Social Work program will be notified prior to Spring pre-registration.

Students are admitted based on a variety of factors (i.e., GPA, written statement, background check results, prior courses completed, etc.).

Following acceptance into the Social Work Major, the student must maintain a 2.5 GPA and abide by the policies and procedures outlined in the Social Work [Student Handbook](#).

All social work majors are required to meet the above standards before they may enroll in upper division social work courses (those numbered 3000 and above).

The Social Work Program does not grant credit for previous life or work experience.

### Application Deadline:

The admission procedures must be completed and submitted to the Department of Social Work prior to the **February 15** deadline.

### 1. Personal Information

Complete Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Other names under which you have attended college: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (Local):

Number and Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address (If different from local address):

Number and Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email (please use ISU email if possible): \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(most notifications will be done through email)

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please also list two practice areas within social work you are interested in:

Practice area 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Practice area 2: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. School Information

Bengal ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average (cumulative): \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Hours Currently Enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Hours Completed (Including current in progress hours): \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Coursework and Grades

This program requires a minimum completion of 55 credit hours (including current in progress hours) with a minimum *cumulative* GPA of 2.5 (including the semester prior to application) at the time of application.

This includes completion of (or with current enrollment in): ENGL 1102, BIOL 1100 (or BIOL 1101L or ANTH 2230L), PSYC 1101, SOC 1101, SOC 2248, and SOWK 1101, with a minimum grade of "C-" in each course.

If you need information about these courses, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

Please enter the grade below for each course and make sure the grades match your transcript.

If you have done a petition or if there are any unusual circumstances, please note the circumstances in the EXPLANATION field at the end of this section.

ENGL 1102 Critical Reading and Writing: \_\_\_\_\_

BIOL 1100 Concepts of Biology (or BIO1101L or ANTH 2230L): \_\_\_\_\_

PSYC 1101 Introduction to General Psychology: \_\_\_\_\_

SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology: \_\_\_\_\_

SOC 2248 Critical Analysis of Social Diversity: \_\_\_\_\_

SOWK 1101/2271 Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPLANATION** (please describe the circumstances relating to the classes in which you selected other):

#### 4. Application Essay

Application Essay (1200-1600 words) (based on the following criteria):

- The student's commitment to social work professional ethics and values.
- The student's fit with the ISU social work program, generalist goals and objectives
- The student's recognition, insight, and resolution of personal issues which may impact professional performance.
- Please use APA formatting and add a title page to this essay.

#### 5. Application Fee

Students must pay a \$30.00 application fee and submit a receipt for the application to be considered (use [Touchnet](#)).

Please name the file as follows: "Last name, First name – Application Fee". Use the print option and select PDF to save as a PDF.

#### 6. Supporting Documentation - Degree Works Transcript

Your Degree Works transcript should be saved as a PDF and attached to an email along with this application and other supporting documentation to: [BSW@isu.edu](mailto:BSW@isu.edu).

Please name the file as follows: "Last name, First name - Degree Works".

#### 7. Supporting Documentation - Background Check

Students must have a background check performed prior to starting the semester following application acceptance. This background check must be completed by **CastleBranch**. If you have a prior background check from the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare, which has been conducted *within 6 months* of the application to the BSW Program, you can submit a copy of it. Please see the [Social Work Background Check Policy](#) for additional information.

**NOTE: Senior practicum agencies may require an additional background check. For further information, please refer to the [Senior Field Practicum Handbook](#)**

#### **Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor?**

Applicants with a criminal record that is likely to preclude social work licensure and/or practicum placement may not be admitted to the program. For more information students are encouraged to contact the Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses and the Idaho Department Health & Welfare list of disqualifying crimes (IDAPA 16, TITLE 05, CHAPTER 06, section 210).

If you have any questions or concerns Please contact the Social Work office at: (208) 282-3377 or [bsw@isu.edu](mailto:bsw@isu.edu)

#### **CastleBranch**

To place your order, go to [CastleBranch](#), click on "Place Order" at the top of the page and enter package code: ID40. You will then be directed to set up your CastleBranch account. The cost to the student is \$64.50.

When your order is made you will receive an [order confirmation page](#). This page should be saved as a PDF and attached to an email along with this application and other supporting documentation to: [BSW@isu.edu](mailto:BSW@isu.edu).

Please name the file as follows: "Last name, First name – Background Check Confirmation".

Idaho Department of Health & Welfare

A recent background check conducted by the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare may be acceptable with documentation in lieu of the CastleBranch check. This should be saved as a PDF and attached to an email along with this application to: [BSW@isu.edu](mailto:BSW@isu.edu).

Please name the file as follows: "Last name, First name - DHW Background Check"

### **8. Program Option**

Indicate which program option you prefer while attending (note that there may be limited space in the online program option):

- On-Campus Program Option: I will be attending Social Work courses in person on Idaho State University's Pocatello Campus.
- Online Program Option: I will be attending Social Work courses online (via Zoom) on designated time slots. When choosing this option, I commit to having a reliable internet connection, a computer equipped with a microphone and a camera, and a quiet spot from where I can join the course.

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

I have agreed to submit this application by electronic means. By signing this application electronically, I swear or affirm that the preceding information is true and correct. You have my permission to verify any of the information I have provided.

I also certify that:

- I understand the questions and statements on this application.
- I have read and understand the information.
- I understand that an electronic signature has the same legal effect and can be enforced in the same way as a written signature.