Program locations:

- Extended-study, 60 credit hour program
  - Part-time: Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Southwest (Benton Harbor)
  - Full-time: Kalamazoo
- Advanced-standing, 39 credit hour program
  - Part-time: Grand Rapids
  - Full-time: Kalamazoo

Before you apply to the WMU Master of Social Work program:

☐ Review the program material online at wmich.edu/socialwork
☐ If you have additional questions, or would like information about upcoming information sessions at any of our three locations please contact:
  - **Benton Harbor** – Steve Way at (269) 934-1513 or steven.m.way@wmich.edu, or Marian Tripplett at (269) 934-1512 or marian.l.tripplett@wmich.edu
  - **Grand Rapids** – Chris Dingman at (616) 771-9470 or christine.dingman@wmich.edu
  - **Kalamazoo** – Amy Vliek at (269) 387-3180 or amy.vliek@wmich.edu

Application deadlines:

- **January 15** for the full-time and part-time advanced-standing program
- **March 15** for the full-time and part-time extended study program
  - New cohorts start every fall in Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo. At WMU-Southwest, new cohorts begin every other year starting in fall 2016.
Applying for acceptance to the WMU Master of Social Work program:

☐ **Step 1:** Complete the online application at [wmich.edu/apply/graduate](http://wmich.edu/apply/graduate).

You will be asked to provide the following information as part of the online application:

☐ Resume.

☐ Written statement. Limited to six double-spaced pages (12 pt. font, one inch margins).

☐ Recommendations. You must provide names and email addresses for three recommendations.

These three people will receive an email asking for the actual recommendation.

Additional information will be required for:

- Advanced-standing applicants:
  - One reference must be from BSW field instructor or faculty liaison.

- Transfer applicants:
  - One reference must be from a current or former advisor.
  - Transfer statement with reason for transferring.

- Applicants with a criminal conviction:
  - Statement of rehabilitation.

☐ **Step 2:** Official transcripts. Request that all previous institutions send official transcripts directly to Western Michigan University.