MEETING YOUR NEEDS

Earn your degree in social work right here in Benton Harbor. Southwest Michigan is home to a diverse population with unique needs, and our program reflects that diversity. Use your undergraduate field practicum to add to your work experience and to help you stand out if you choose to apply to graduate programs, including WMU’s Master of Social Work.

The BSW at WMU-Southwest is a part-time program, with classes meeting in the evenings and on weekends. This flexibility allows you to balance your coursework with your job and other responsibilities.

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THE BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

Follow your passion for making positive change in your community. As a social worker, you’ll uplift diverse and underserved people, helping them meet basic human needs. You’ll learn to advocate for social justice and well-being of all people, and will be prepared to challenge discriminatory practices.

Our program takes a generalist approach. You will gain a wide range of skills designed to help individuals, families and groups. With this broad skill set, our graduates pursue careers in adoption agencies, child welfare departments, community mental health agencies, senior services and human rights organizations.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

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# Western Michigan University

Western Michigan University is a national research university enrolling nearly 24,000 students from across the United States and 100 other countries. The University supports research centers and public-service clinics that work with partners nationwide to make new discoveries and improve people’s lives.

WMU’s College of Health and Human Services offers four graduate programs ranked in the top 50 by U.S. News & World Report. The college is home to the latest teaching technology and lab equipment, and offers unmatched clinical education. CHHS at WMU is preparing professionals today; transforming health and human services tomorrow.

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# Focus on What Matters

## Program Components and Course Requirements

The Bachelor of Social Work program is delivered in a hybrid format which combines online and in-person coursework. In addition, you can meet field education requirements in your own community. Students beginning this degree completion program typically have an associate’s degree or 55-60 credit hours of completed college coursework.

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*Some requirements may be satisfied by credits you’ve previously earned. Meet with an advisor to find out which courses you need to finish your degree.*

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