

**School of Social Work  
University of Pittsburgh**

**MSW CURRICULUM GUIDE  
(COSA – Community, Organization, and Social Action)**

**Projected Program of Studies**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Projected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

STATUS: \_\_\_\_\_ Full-Time    \_\_\_\_\_ Part-Time    FOCUS AREA (Certificate): \_\_\_\_\_ (Human Services Management)

**Advanced Standing** – Eighteen credits (12 class; 6 field) is maximum for accredited BASW Programs. Twelve credits is maximum from Continuing Education or other post-baccalaureate programs. Enter Total Advanced Standing Credits, Name of Institution, and date degree conferred below. For any advanced standing and/or exemption, please check online advisement or the student's file in the Recorder's Office to ensure that appropriate forms have been completed and enter under appropriate courses below with the date completed.

| <u>Total Credits</u> | <u>Name of Institution</u> | <u>Date Degree Completed</u> |
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**Descriptive Statistics Prerequisite Completed?**    \_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No  
(Must be fulfilled prior to enrollment in first term of MSW Program)

| <u>Subject</u> | <u>Catalog Number</u> | <u>Generalist Requirements*</u>                    | <u>Term</u> | <u>Units</u> | <u>Grade Earned</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------|--|-------------|--------------|---------------------|
| SWRES          | <u>2021</u>           | <u>Generalist Social Work Research</u>             | _____       | <u>3</u>     | _____               |
| SWGEM          | <u>2034</u>           | <u>Social Work Practice w/ Diverse Populations</u> | _____       | <u>3</u>     | _____               |
| SWBEH          | <u>2063</u>           | <u>Human Behavior in the Social Environment</u>    | _____       | <u>3</u>     | _____               |
| SWWEL          | <u>2081</u>           | <u>Social Welfare</u>                              | _____       | <u>3</u>     | _____               |
| SWGEM          | <u>2098</u>           | <u>Generalist Social Work Practice</u>             | _____       | <u>3</u>     | _____               |

\*Prerequisites for Specialized Practice Area requirements and for 2<sup>nd</sup> level required courses

| <u>Specialized Practice Area Requirements</u> |             |  |       |          |       |
|---|-------------|--|-------|----------|-------|
| SWCOSA  | <u>2084</u> | <u>Human Service Organization Management</u> | _____ | <u>3</u> | _____ |
| SWCOSA  | <u>2088</u> | <u>Community Organizing &amp; Planning</u>   | _____ | <u>3</u> | _____ |
| SWCOSA  | _____       | <u>COSA Elective</u>                         | _____ | <u>3</u> | _____ |
| SWCOSA  | _____       | <u>COSA Elective</u>                         | _____ | <u>3</u> | _____ |

| <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Level Required Courses</u> |             |   |       |          |       |
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| SWRES  | _____       | <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Research</u>  | _____ | <u>3</u> | _____ |
| SWBEH  | <u>2008</u> | <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Human Behavior: Urban Environment</u>                 | _____ | <u>3</u> | _____ |
| SWWEL  | <u>2087</u> | <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Social Welfare: Organizations &amp; Public Policy</u> | _____ | <u>3</u> | _____ |

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| <b><u>Subject</u></b>   | <b><u>Catalog Number</u></b> | <b><u>Fieldwork</u></b> | <b><u>Term</u></b> | <b><u>Units</u></b> | <b><u>Grade Earned</u></b> |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>First Placement - Generalist Placement (6 credits total)</b> |                              |                         |                    |                     |                            |
| SWGEN   | 2099                         | Generalist Fieldwork    |                    | 3                   |                            |
| SWGEN   | 2099                         | Generalist Fieldwork    |                    | 3                   |                            |

**Second Placement – Specialized Practice Area Placement (12 credits total)**

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|--------|------|----------------|--|---|--|
| SWCOSA | 2099 | COSA Fieldwork |  | 6 |  |
| SWCOSA | 2099 | COSA Fieldwork |  | 6 |  |
| SWCOSA | 2099 | COSA Fieldwork |  |   |  |
| SWCOSA | 2099 | COSA Fieldwork |  |   |  |

**General Electives (Include Certificate courses, if selected)**

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**TOTAL REQUIREMENTS: 42 class + 18 fieldwork**

All students must complete requirements of the generalist curriculum, specialized practice area curriculum, and 2<sup>nd</sup> level human behavior, social welfare, and research. Completion of certificate program requirements are optional and may extend total class credits beyond the minimum of 42.

Approved for Graduation:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Advisor's Signature                      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature                      Date

5/2021

**NOTE:** Please refer to the Student Handbook for requirements regarding each of the certificate programs.