

4. two reference forms (from diverse sources such as academic, professional, personal)
Reference forms for distribution to your referees can be found here: STU.ca/mmbsw.
Please refer your references to the MMBSW Reference Guideline (also on STU.ca/mmbsw) and advise them of the January 31 deadline for the program.

*Please submit an online application for admission at STU.ca/apply. Click "Sign Up" and follow the instructions to sign-in to the online application portal. Once you are signed in, click "Start a New Application," followed by "Start Application" under the Post-Degree Program section. Select the Mi'kmaq/Maliseet Bachelor of Social Work program, your anticipated enrolment status (Full-time or Part-time) and the Fall (Sept- Apr) 2020 term. You will be prompted to pay the application fee at the end of the application. All other supplementary documents

- Academic ability
- Time management skills
- Written and oral communication skills
- Organization skills
- Ability to work with others
- Capacity for independent thought and critical thinking
- Ability to complete responsibilities
- Additional information or comments that you would consider helpful in assessing the applicant's suitability for this master's program
- Any concerns and/or areas for further self/professional development

Wherever possible, reference letters should be submitted on formal letterhead and be dated and signed by the writer. Letters may be submitted electronically to admissions@stu.ca

Thank you again for your assistance. Your comments will be treated confidentially.

Master of Social Work Program Structure

The Master of Social Work program is a full-time, one-year, professional-based graduate degree program offered to students with a first level Social Work degree from a university program accredited by the Canadian Association for Social Work Education (CASWE).

CASWE Standards for Accreditation recognizes a Bachelor of Social Work as providing students with knowledge and skills for generalist practice. CASWE distinguishes curriculum at the Master's level as providing provides knowledge and skills in research and scholarship, professional leadership, social work supervision, advanced practice and/or areas of specialization. The learning objectives for the MSW reflect an advanced level of knowledge and skills in selected major areas of social work practice.

The MSW at St. Thomas University focuses on advanced clinical practice with a structural lens providing students with:

- advanced theory and practice skills in professional leadership and social work supervision
- advanced direct practice skills development

The program's objectives are consistent with the mission and social justice statements of St. Thomas University and its School of Social Work. Courses are based on the application of structural social work theory which

Thesis Option - 9 credit hours

The Master thesis must demonstrate mastery of advanced clinical social work practice located within the relevant literature. The thesis will be based on independent study and research which is of theoretical, historical, or empirical focus.

Advanced Practicum Option – 9 credit hours

The advanced field practicum requires the student to complete 450 hours of field practice experience where the focus is on specialized skills and knowledge in social work practice, as arranged by the School of Social Work.

Program Regulations

Students are accepted into the MSW on a full-time basis. There is a three-year limit (9 academic terms) to complete the degree requirements of 33 credit hours.

Fall Semester

SCWK 6013 Advanced Theory for Direct Practice I (3)

SCWK 6053 Research and Evaluation in Social Work I (3)

SCWK 6043 Advanced Theory for Social Policy (3)

Elective Course (3) Course may be taken within Social Work or in another unit.

Winter Semester

SCWK 6023 Advanced Theory for Direct Practice II (3)

SCWK 6063 Research and Evaluation in Social Work II (3)

SCWK 6033 Advanced Theory for Social Administration (3)

SCWK 6093 Seminar for Research Proposal (Thesis Option) (3)

Spring Semester

SCWK 6119 Field Education Seminar (Advanced Field Placement Option) (3)

SCWK 6129 Advanced Field Placement (9) (450 hours)

SCWK 6129 Thesis (9)

D. School of Social Work Policies

Please see: <https://stu.ca/socialwork/policies/> for all School of Social Work policies.

E. Social Work Courses

Bachelor of Social Work courses offered at the Fredericton campus (F) of St. Thomas University are open to Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) students, only. Courses for the MMBSW program are offered on campus. The courses in the MMBSW Program are available to MMBSW students, only. Courses for the MSW are for MSW students only.

SCWK-2013. Introduction to Social Welfare (5)

An examination of the history, philosophy, and development of social welfare as a social institution in New Brunswick and elsewhere. Analysis of the institution and its relationship to the history, philosophy, and values of the profession of social work.