SOCIAL WORK





FIELD PLACEMENT

UMBC's fully-accredited bachelor's degree in social work will prepare you for generalist practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities. One of the strengths of our program is the integration of coursework with an applied field placement. Our field placements provide enriching experiences that will help to build your resume, lead to job opportunities, and allow you to fully experience the breadth of the social work profession.

During your final year, you will complete a field placement that will coincide with your social work practice courses. This will reinforce the skills you are learning in class and allow you to put them into practice with support from an experienced social worker.

Field placement opportunities are available in a variety of settings:

- Schools
- Community agencies
- Hospitals and other healthcare providers
- Mental health and psychiatric programs
- Substance use treatment programs
- The criminal justice system

INTERESTED IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

Visit **shadygrove.umbc.edu/program/social-work** to request more information.

You can also contact **Dr. Katie Morris**, LCSW-C, Program Director, directly at **kath@umbc.edu** or **301-738-6312** with any questions you may have.

"As part of the social work curriculum, students are given the opportunity to work in various agencies around DC and Maryland. I am grateful for this field placement because this experience has allowed me to learn more about myself and given me a clear path moving forward in this profession."

- Cherie Tebah '20, social work and psychology



ADVANCED STANDING

UMBC's undergraduate social work curriculum will provide you with the necessary skills to succeed in graduate school. Most Master of Social Work (MSW) programs provide an Advanced Standing option for students who have completed a CSWE accredited baccalaureate social work program, which enables you to earn your MSW in less time than the full program.

While competitive, Advanced Standing programs provide an efficient and cost-effective path to complete your MSW. Advanced Standing programs typically seek students who:

- Demonstrated an exceptional level of knowledge, skills, maturity, and professionalism in the classroom and in their field placement in their undergraduate social work program
- Earned a minimum 3.0 GPA or higher in combination with strong recommendations from faculty and field instructors





LICENSURE

After graduating with your bachelor's degree in social work, you will be eligible to obtain a social work license. Applicants for licensure must complete the requirements defined by the state board where they want to practice social work. With a social work license and the applied skills and depth of knowledge gained in the program, you'll be prepared for a variety of employment opportunities within the non-profit, government, and social service agencies.