



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**  
**Substantive Program Modification Form**

Use this form to request minor changes in existing programs (majors, minors, certificates, or specializations).

<b>UNIVERSITY:</b>	<b>USD</b>
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM TITLE:</b>	<b>Master of Social Work [UMSW.SW]</b>
<b>CIP CODE:</b>	<b>51.1503</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:</b>	<b>Social Work</b>
<b>BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:</b>	<b>USWK</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DIVISION:</b>	<b>Health Sciences</b>
<b>BANNER DIVISION CODE:</b>	<b>2H</b>

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

<i>Elizabeth M. Freeburg</i>	1/28/2021
Vice President of Academic Affairs or President of the University	Date

**1. This modification addresses a change in (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits required within the discipline     | <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits of supportive course work |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total credits of elective course work | <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits required for program      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program name                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Existing specialization                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CIP Code   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)                   |

**2. Effective date of change: 5/17/2021**

**3. Program Degree Level (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

- Associate  Bachelor's  Master's  Doctoral

**4. Category (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

- Certificate  Specialization  Minor  Major

**5. If a name change is proposed, the change will occur (place an "X" in the appropriate box):**

- On the effective date for all students  
 On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program)

**Proposed new name:**

*Reminder: Name changes may require updating related articulation agreements, site approvals, etc.*

**6. Primary Aspects of the Modification (add lines or adjust cell size as needed):**

*Existing Curriculum*

*Proposed Curriculum (highlight changes)*

Prof.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.	Prof.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.
SOCW	600	Social Policy Analysis	3	SOCW	600	Social Policy Analysis	3
SOCW	601	History & Philosophy of Social Work	3	SOCW	601	History & Philosophy of Social Work	3
SOCW	610	Generalist Practice I: Individuals and Families	3	SOCW	610	Generalist Practice I: Individuals and Families	3
SOCW	630	Practice with Small Groups	3	SOCW	630	Practice with Small Groups	3
SOCW	640	Diversity & Social Justice in Rural and Urban Communities	3	SOCW	640	Diversity & Social Justice in Rural and Urban Communities	3
SOCW	641	Human Behavior in Social Environment	3	SOCW	641	Human Behavior in Social Environment	3
SOCW	650	Practice-Informed Quantitative Research	3			Moved to Approved Elective below	
SOCW	683	Field Education & Seminar I	3	SOCW	683	Field Education & Seminar I	3
SOCW	684	Field Education & Seminar II	3	SOCW	684	Field Education & Seminar II	3
SOCW	700	Advanced Policy	3	SOCW	700	Advanced Policy	3
SOCW	730	Practice with Communities	3	SOCW	730	Advanced Practice with Communities and Organizations	3
SOCW	740	Advanced Practice with Individuals, Children, and Families	3	SOCW	740	Advanced Practice with Individuals, Children, and Families	3
SOCW	741	Social Work in Mental Health: Assessment and Treatment	3	SOCW	741	Social Work in Mental Health: Assessment and Treatment	3
				SOCW	712	Advanced Practice in Child Welfare	3
SOCW	742	Practice with Organizations, Administration, and Supervision	3			Removed	
SOCW	750	Practice Informed Qualitative Research	3	SOCW	750	Advanced Practice in Social Work Research	3
SOCW	783	Field Education & Seminar III	3	SOCW	783	Field Education & Seminar III	3
SOCW	784	Field Education & Seminar IV	3	SOCW	784	Field Education & Seminar IV	3
		Approved Elective	9			Approved Elective	12
Total number of hours required for major, minor, or specialization			60	Total number of hours required for major, minor, or specialization			60
Total number of hours required for degree			60	Total number of hours required for degree			60

**7. Explanation of the Change:**

SOCW 650 Practice Informed Quantitative Research is being replaced with an approved elective. The program is preparing practice licensed social worker and can benefit from an additional elective. This creates the opportunity for graduates to leave with additional practice knowledge, skills, and abilities. Secondly, the program can adequately instruct research knowledge, skills and abilities to students through one graduate level research course. As a result, we are seeking approval to change the name of SOCW 750 to Advanced Practice in Social Work Research. Thirdly, the addition of an elective, does allow room for all of our students to complete a 12 credit certificate program without having additional courses to complete.

SOCW 730 and SOCW 742. If you take a look at these two courses, they do resemble each other in certain aspects. As a result, our program is seeking approval to move SOCW 742 to an elective status and rename it SOCW 742 Advanced Practice in Administration and Supervision. For SOCW 730, we would rename the course to better reflect its curriculum to SOCW 730 Advanced Practice with Communities and Organizations.

To fill the open three credit course section, when removing SOCW 742, we are seeking approval to move SOCW 712 Advanced Practice in Child Welfare from an elective to a required course. This course adds depth to our curriculum and matched better with our program mission and goals.