

UNF MSW Program Admissions Criteria Checklist

Traditional MSW Program Admissions Criteria

Students who wish to be admitted to the Traditional MSW Program must:

- completed an online application through the Graduate School;
- pay a \$30 application fee;
- submit official transcripts demonstrating
 - receipt of a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited US institution or its equivalent from an international institution with a GPA of 3.0 or higher in the last 60 credit hours of undergraduate study;
 - successful completion (grade C or better) of undergraduate course in social and behavioral sciences (9 credit hours), statistics (3 credit hours), and biology with human content (3 credit hours);
- submit official transcripts of all graduate coursework and evidence of good academic standing from prior institution(s), if applicable;
- submit a one-to two-page resume that includes educational background, relevant volunteer, internship, or employment experience, special skills, awards and honors, and/or professional affiliations;
- provide **three** professional and/or academic letters of recommendation that describe the applicant's academic and/or professional readiness for and suitability to graduate study and advanced social work practice; and
- submit a typed, double-spaced personal essay approximately three to five pages in length that conforms to APA Style (6th edition) and describes and reflects upon the following:
 - the applicant's preparation for and commitment to advanced social work study and practice as evidence by lived and/or professional experiences and academic achievements;
 - the compatibility of the applicant's personal values and beliefs with the core values or the National Association of Social Workers' (2017) Code of Ethics as well as the strategies the applicant may take to reconcile any conflicts between personal and professional values when working with diverse individuals and communities;
 - a social problem of particular concern or interest and the role of social work in addressing that problem