



Social Work Department Form
Faculty of Humanities

Thank you for your interest in applying to the Social Work Department.

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1. Personal Details

Provide your personal details.

Title:
Full Name:
Surname:
Email address:
Contact number:

2. Programmes and Entry Requirements

Please read the entry requirements for the different programmes carefully.

The entry requirements allow your application to be screened and considered; it does not guarantee admission into a programme.

Master of Arts in Social Work by Research

Programme code: ARA05

Programme plan: APRASCW70

Entry Criteria:

- A four-year Bachelor's or Honours degree in Social Work with a minimum average of 65% in the final year of study (excluding the research report mark)
- A minimum of 65% for the four-year Bachelor's or Honours degree Research Report
- Registration with the South African Council of Social Service Professions (SACSSP) as a social worker
- SAQA NQF level 8 for International Honours degree in Social Work
- Submission of a concept paper for the planned research study (see Appendix A)
- Accepted applicants are required to attend a three-day research methodology refresher course programme offered in the department, and research seminars for postgraduate students presented by the Faculty of Humanities

Master of Arts in Social Work by Coursework and Research Report in Occupational Social Work**Programme code: ACA17****Programme plan: APASOCW61****Entry Criteria:**

- A four-year Bachelor's or Honours degree in Social Work with a minimum average of 65% in the final year of study (excluding the research report mark)
- A minimum of 65% for the fourth year Bachelor's or Honours degree Research Report
- Registration with the South African Council of Social Service Professions (SACSSP) as a social worker
- SAQA NQF level 8 for International Honours degree in Social Work
- A minimum of two years' work experience as a social worker is an advantage
- Be able to attend five weeks of classes in the first year of study and one week in the second year of study
- Participate in the selection process, which includes the completion of a written assignment and attendance at an interview with a selection committee
- Accepted applicants are required to attend a five-day orientation programme inclusive of a three-day research methodology refresher course, and research seminars for postgraduate students presented by the Faculty of Humanities

Master of Arts in Social Work by Coursework and Research Report in School Social Work**Programme code: ACA17****Programme plan: AFASCWS62****Entry Criteria:**

- A four-year Bachelor's or Honours degree in Social Work with a minimum average of 65% in the final year of study (excluding the research report mark)
- A minimum of 65% for the fourth year Bachelor's or Honours degree Research Report
- Registration with the South African Council of Social Service Professions (SACSSP) as a social worker. If candidates are going to undertake their field practice in another country, they need to be registered as a social worker with the professional board of that specific country
- SAQA NQF level 8 for International Honours degree in Social Work
- Work experience as a social worker in a school setting will be an advantage
- Be able to attend four weeks of classes in the first year of study and eight field practice tutorials in the second year of study
- Participate in the selection process, which includes the completion of a written assignment and attendance at an interview with a selection committee
- Accepted applicants are required to attend a five-day orientation programme inclusive of a three-day research methodology refresher course, and research seminars for postgraduate students presented by the Faculty of Humanities

Master of Arts by Coursework and Research Report in the field of Social Development

Programme code: ACA00

Programme plan: AFASDEV60

Entry Criteria:

- An Honours degree with subjects in Social Sciences approved by the Social Work Department
- A minimum average of 65% in the Honours degree (excluding the research report mark)
- A minimum of 65% for the fourth year Bachelor's or Honours degree Research Report
- SAQA NQF level 8 for International Honours degrees
- Be able to attend three one-week classes in the first year of study (full-time) or two one-week classes in the first year of study and one week of classes in the second year of study (part-time)
- Participate in the selection process, which includes the completion of a written assignment and attendance at an interview with a selection committee
- Accepted applicants are required to attend a five-day orientation programme inclusive of a three-day research methodology refresher course, and research seminars for postgraduate students presented by the Faculty of Humanities

3. Programme Selection

Please select the programme/s for which you are applying. Please use **x** to select the programme/s and **rank each programme** in terms of your order of preference (**1st choice, 2nd choice, 3rd choice**)

Programme	Select (X)	Ranking
Master of Arts in Social Work by Research		
Master of Arts in Social Work by Coursework and Research Report in Occupational Social Work		
Master of Arts in Social Work by Coursework and Research Report in School Social Work		
Master of Arts by Coursework and Research Report in the field of Social Development		

4. Work Experience

How many years of full-time work experience do you have?

None	
Less than 2 years	
2 – 4 years	
5 – 8 years	
9 – 11 years	
More than 11 years	

5. Professional Registrations

Please provide details of any registrations with Professional Councils

Name of the Professional Council	Registration Number

6. Financial Arrangements

Please select (x) how you will fund your studies:

Sponsorship of your employer	
Savings or other personal resources	
Financial assistance from parents/family members	
Application for a bursary or a bank loan	

7. Conclusion

Have you provided true and correct responses to all the questions asked?

Yes	
No	

Appendix A

Research Concept Paper

ONLY if you apply for the Master in Arts in Social Work by Research you must prepare a concept paper. The paper should not exceed 1500 words and must include the following:

1. Title
2. Research question
3. Aim and objectives
4. Rationale
5. Literature review
6. Research Methodology
 - 6.1 Approach and design
 - 6.2 Population, sample and sampling procedures
 - 6.3 Method of data collection
 - 6.4 Method of data analysis
7. The contribution to the knowledge base and/or practice of Social Work

The selection committee will use the concept paper to

- determine your level of research,
- consider whether the area of research can be accommodated in the department and if there is capacity for research supervision, and
- reflect on your capability to independently conceptualise a research project

Please label this attachment **Research Concept Paper**