

Simmons University School of Social Work

Non-Matriculating Program

Simmons School of Social Work Non-Matriculating option is available to prospective students who wish to enroll in one or two MSW courses before formally applying to our Master of Social Work program. In some instances, applicants may be required by the Office of Admissions to enroll in the Non-Matriculating program prior to formal matriculation. The Non-Matriculating option and course offerings are available on a limited space basis.

Here's how it works:

- Application Requirements:
 - Application Form completed and signed
 - 1 Page Essay (Why do you want to take one SW class?)
 - Resume
 - One unofficial copy of the applicant's transcript of highest advanced degree. *Please note the transcript must include the degree earned and date of graduation
- Upon admittance as a non-matriculating student, the Office of Admission will send the following:
 - *Letter of acceptance
 - *Course registration information (1 to 2 weeks prior to the start of the term)

Classes are available in the Fall, Spring and Summer semesters. (Fall and Spring classes are 3 hours/wk for 14 sessions; Summer classes are 4 hours/wk for 9 sessions). Non-Matriculated students only can enroll in one class each semester for up to a total of two MSW classes. Classes available to Non-Matriculating students are below.

- SW 411 -Human Behavior in the Social Environment (3 credits)
- SW 403-Social Policy & SW in Organizations & Communities (3 credits)
- SSW 422-Substance Use and Social Work (3 credits)
- SW448 Social Work Practice with Sexual and Gender Minorities (3 credits)

No other classes are open to Non-Matriculating students.

Fees

- Tuition for 2025-2026 academic year is \$1,185 per credit- hour.
- Courses available to Non-Matriculating students are three credit-hour courses.
- Financial Aid is not available to Non-Matriculating students.
- A \$300.00 non-refundable tuition deposit is required. We will credit the student's personal account with this deposit. This deposit required to reserve a space in the entering enrollment period.

Matriculation into the MSW Program:

Students who wish to take courses beyond the six credit-hours taken as a Non-Matriculating student must submit a formal application to the School of Social Work by the following deadline dates:

Spring enrollment:

- January 10th

Fall (September) enrollment:

- July 30th

Admission to the master's level degree program is not guaranteed. Consideration of applications will be based on satisfactory completion of non-matriculating coursework and formal review of completed applications and supplemental materials.

Requirements for formal application to Simmons MSW program include:

- Online application form (including updated personal statement and resume)
- Two academic or professional recommendations
- Simmons School of Social Work faculty recommendation(s) in reference to coursework completed at the non-matriculating level.

If admitted to the master's program, any coursework completed with a grade of B or better will automatically be transferred into the particular MSW program to which the student has been admitted. Questions? Please email us at ssw@simmons.edu