

## SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM ADMISSION APPLICATION

Date Applied:			
Name:			
	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>M.I.</i>
Address:			
	<i>Street Address</i>		
	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
Phone # (include area code):			
Email Address:			
Applying for the fall of what year:			

\_\_\_\_\_ I have completed 45 to 60 hours of college course work with a minimum of 2.50 GPA (2.7 GPA for Transfers Students) and am applying as a (select one of the below):

	VSU student who declared Social Work as a major during his/her freshman year.
	VSU student that wants to change their major.
	Current major:
	Transfer student
	Name(s) of previous institution:
	Did you graduate?
	Is yes, what type of degree (Ex. AA, AS, BS)?
	What was your cumulative GPA?
	Former social work student seeking readmission to the program.
	What was the last semester and year that you were in the program?
	Did you complete the field practicum?
	Student who is seeking a second Bachelor's degree.
	What is your current degree and major?
	Other (explain)

Which of the following courses have you completed? Indicate the semester/year (e.g. fall 2010) and final grade. If you are currently taking the course listed, indicate by selecting “IP” (in progress).

<b>General Education Courses</b>			
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Name/Course Type</b>	<b>Semester/Year</b>	<b>Grade</b>
ENGL 110	Composition I		
ENGL 111	Composition II		
MATH 112	Basic Mathematics I		
MATH 113	Basic Mathematics II		
BIOL 116	Biological Science & Lab		
	GE Humanities (PHIL required)		
	GE Health & Wellness		
	GE History		
	GE Social Science		
	GE Literature		
	GE Global Studies		
PSYC 101 or 212*	Intro to Psychology or Human Growth & Devl.		
SPEE 214*	Introduction to Public Speaking		
<b>SOWK Pre-requisite Courses</b>			
SOWK 210	Intro to Generalist SOWK Practice		
SOWK 260	History of Social Welfare Policy		
STAT 210	Elementary Statistics I		
<b>SOWK Core Course (credits must be from a CSWE accredited program)</b>			
SOWK 315	Social Work Research I		
SOWK 320	Human Behavior & Social Environment I		
SOWK 321	Human Behavior & Social Environment II		
SOWK 330	Diversity & Cultural Competence in SOWK Practice		
SOWK 340	Social Welfare Policy		
SOWK 370	Generalist Practice I		

\*Indicate additional general education courses that are required by the Social Work Department. Substitutions are made at the discretion of the advisor &/or Department Chair.

**EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION**

Are you currently employed?			
Type of employment		Work Study	
Will you be employed while enrolled at VSU?			
If yes, will you be employed full/part time during your educational process?			
Have you had any paid social work experience?			
Have you had any volunteer experience in a social service agency			
If yes to the question directly above, provide an overview of the experience:			

**CRIMINAL HISTORY**

Have you ever been arrested? (If no, proceed to the next section)		
If yes, was it a felony or misdemeanor?		
Were you convicted?		
What was the charge?		
When did this occur?		
What was the disposition of the case?		

**DRUG AND ALCOHOL HISTORY**

Have you ever sought treatment at a Drug/Alcohol Treatment or Detoxification Center?		
If yes, please explain:		
Dates of treatment(s):		
Name and address of the facility:		
Did you complete the treatment(s) prescribed?		
If no, please explain:		

**MENTAL/EMOTIONAL HISTORY**

Have you ever have required any of counseling/psychotherapy?		
If yes, what was the nature of the counseling/psychotherapy? (Provide a general account, do not provide in-depth details. If you see the need to give specific details, attach an additional confidential information)		
Have you ever been hospitalized for any type of mental/emotional conditions?		
If yes, provide the following information for each time you were hospitalized (additional sheets may be attached).		
Hospitalization Date(s):		
Name and Location of the hospital(s):		

**ADMISSION STATEMENT:**

As a part of your application for admission to the Social Work Program, you are to write a statement which addresses the six areas listed below. This statement will be used to assist the Social Work Admission’s Committee in its decision making process in reference to your application. **Your typed admission statement is to be attached to your application.** The Admission Statement should be from three to five pages and well-written.

1. Discuss the major reasons for your interest in the Social Work profession.
2. Describe some of the successes you have achieved in school, employment, and your personal life.
3. Describe any barriers you have had to overcome while pursuing your education, employment or personal goals.
4. Describe any experiences that you have had while working with people that you felt you were able to use a skill you thought at the time was related to the Social Work profession.
5. Describe what you consider to be one of the most pressing social problems. How pervasive is the problem: What, in your opinion, causes this problem (cite and document scope, causes, implications, etc. using information from social work literature)?
6. Discuss your commitment to social justice issues and experiences that you have had that make you feel that you could effectively provide services to individuals from diverse populations reflecting religious, racial, ethnic, physical, socio-economic, gender, and sexual orientation differences?
  - a. Identify your strengths, weaknesses, and any concerns related to your potential career in social work.
  - b. List your long-term career goals.

I certify that the information on this application is true and valid.

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Name (typed)	Date
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Signature

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 \*\*\*\* OFFICIAL OFFICE USE (Do not sign below until interviewed)

**STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING**

I understand that the Social Work Major Curriculum requires 60 credit hours in upper-division courses, including a 15 hour Field Placement and a three credit hour Integrative Seminar course. I further understand that I will need to complete a formal Application for Field Placement the semester prior to being assigned to an agency. While I shall be consulted as to my interests and choice of location for field placement, I am aware that my preference/choice may not be possible. I also understand that I will need to secure a mode of transportation to and from my field placement.

I understand that I must have an overall grade point average of 2.50 for admission into the Social Work Program. Once admitted, I must maintain a 2.50 overall GPA to be assigned in field placement. The Social Work Faculty have advised me that I would need to maintain a “B” or better in all Social Work core requirements to be considered for graduate school.

Date Interviewed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature Admissions Committee Chair Signature  
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Date Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMITTEE DECISION (circle one):** **Fully Accept**  
**Conditionally Accept**  
**Denied**

**Panel Members:**

<b>Print Name</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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