Rich History, Contemporary Insight

Loyola’s commitment to social work runs deep. Founded in 1914 and accredited since 1921, our school—the first at a Jesuit institution of higher learning—is the oldest school of social work at a Catholic university in North America.

The values and mission of this profession, as well as Loyola’s Jesuit tradition and commitment to social justice, fortify our pledge to serve others. You’ll gain an invaluable foundation for your career through study and hands-on learning, and have opportunities to expand your global view through study abroad and international fieldwork.

Nicholas
Major: Social Work

Nicholas Framularo’s Loyola Experience allowed him to find a niche in the social work field that fit his goals and interests. In addition, the five-year program allowed Nicholas to fast-track his career by helping him earn a bachelor’s and master’s degree together.
A Hands-on Approach
Throughout your undergraduate career, you will complete approximately 500 hours of fieldwork. The end result: you will be a social worker with a wide range of knowledge and experience—as well as the confidence—to successfully engage clients and make an immediate impact in the world. • LUC.edu/career

A diverse faculty
Our instructors come from a wide range of professional backgrounds with a wealth of research and field experience. You’ll be able to tap into that experience in areas such as child welfare, domestic violence, gerontology, health care, international social work, multiculturalism, philanthropy, program evaluation, social policy, spirituality, and treatment modalities.

Programs
Social workers work in various settings and help people of all ages from all social and economic backgrounds. Loyola’s School of Social Work prepares you for success with a student-centered learning environment as well as classes that are open-minded, lively, and inclusive.

Loyola University Chicago’s School of Social Work offers a combined BSW/MSW degree that allows full-time students to complete both an undergraduate and graduate degree in just five years. Students earn a BSW degree, blending a top-quality social work curriculum with a strong liberal arts base. Because many first-year MSW requirements are completed during students’ senior year, the MSW degree portion of the program can be completed in less time than normally required to earn a Master’s degree in Social Work. The benefits of the seamless program include a shorter path to a graduate degree and increased career mobility and a wider scope of job prospects.

The BSW degree provides the knowledge, values, and skills graduates need as a beginning-level generalist in social work practice. Field placement in community agencies and organizations occurs, providing opportunities for students to integrate classroom knowledge and practice skills with individuals, families, groups, communities, and organizations.

Accreditation
Loyola’s BSW and BSW/MSW programs are fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Founded in 1952, the CSWE is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as the sole accrediting agency for social work education in the United States.

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OUR MISSION

We are Chicago’s Jesuit, Catholic University—a diverse community seeking God in all things and working to expand knowledge in the service of humanity through learning, justice, and faith.

Loyola University Chicago admits students without regard to their race, color, sex, age, national or ethnic origin, religion, sexual orientation, ancestry, military discharge or status, marital status, parental status, or any other protected status. Otherwise qualified persons are not subject to discrimination on the basis of disability.

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