

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

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Degrees Offered

Available on the Jackson and Germantown Campuses and Online

- Master of Social Work

Master of Social Work Mission Statement

The mission of the MSW Program is to prepare competent and effective professionals for leadership in advanced generalist practice. In a context of Christian higher education, the program fosters compassionate service, promotes social and economic justice, and equips students for excellence in social work practice.

Program Outcomes

The goals of the Master of Social Work Program are:

1. To equip students with knowledge, values, and skills for excellence in social work practice within the context of Christian higher education;
2. To foster compassionate service and promote social and economic justice;
3. To prepare social workers to be leaders in communities at state, national, and international levels;
4. To increase the availability of competent master-level prepared social work professional leadership in the surrounding region.
5. To prepare students to pursue advanced scholarship in post–M.S.W. education.