

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM**ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY****ADVANCED STANDING APPLICATION****Applicant's Name:** _____

In addition to the MSW Application Packet, applicants applying for Advanced Standing must meet the following admission standards:

- Possess a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree from a CSWE-accredited social work program;
- Possess a Bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited college or university;
- Possess a Bachelor's degree with a strong liberal arts focus, including courses from the social sciences, behavioral sciences, natural sciences and humanities;
- The BSW degree must have been earned within the past 5 years;
- A minimum grade point average of 3.0 overall in all undergraduate work attempted or a 3.2 in the last 60 semester hours;
- A score of 390 or better on the Miller Analogy Test (MAT);
- At least one of your three references included in your MSW Application must be from your BSW Faculty Advisor, the BSW Field Director or from the Chair of the Social Work Department at your college or university.

Due to the limited acceptance of Advanced Standing students in the MSW program, enrollment is extremely competitive and will be awarded only to outstanding applicants that clearly demonstrate the knowledge, experience, and skills required for direct admission into the advanced year of the MSW program. Students admitted into the Advanced Standing program that fail to earn a grade of "B" or better will be removed from the Advanced Standing program. The Student may be given the option of continuing in the regular two-year MSW degree program.

Criteria #	Criteria	I Meet This Requirement	I Do Not Meet This Requirement
1	I possess a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree from a CSWE-accredited social work program.		
2	I possess a Bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited college or university.		
3	My Bachelor's degree contains a strong a liberal arts focus, including courses from the social sciences, behavioral sciences, natural sciences and humanities.		
4	I earned a BSW degree within the past 5 years.		
5	I possess a grade point of average of 3.0 overall in all of my undergraduate work <i>or</i> a 3.2 in the last 60 semester hours of my undergraduate degree		
6	I possess a score of 390 or higher on the Miller Analogy		

	Test [MAT].		
7	At least one of my three references contained in my MSW Application is from my BSW Faculty Advisor, the BSW Field Director, or the Chair of the Department of Social Work at my college or university.		

I affirm that the above information contained in this Advanced Standing Application is accurate and complete:

[Applicant's Signature] [Date]

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[MSW Program Director Signature] [Date]