**Church Social Work Concentration**

MSW students who are preparing to work in or with congregations and/or missions and ministry programs of the church are encouraged to pursue a concentration in Church Social Work. Students may elect to do the Church Social Work Concentration in a specific substantive area of church social work. Examples might include: community development; community ministries; poverty; justice-oriented ministries; congregational or community health; counseling; older adults; trauma; disaster relief; youth and children services; policy; advocacy; and etc. Students completing all requirements are awarded the Church. Students completing all requirements are awarded the Church Social Work Concentration at the School of Social Work Convocation. This document certifies that the student completed concentration requirements in a substantive area within Church Social Work. The concentration does not replace but builds on the student’s area of specialized practice.

Students must fulfill these additional requirements:

1. Depending on the applicant’s degree program, learning needs, and/or previous academic record, applicants may be required to complete 3-6 elective credit hours. If possible, WOCW 7386 Urban Missions Issues (Truett Seminary-3 hrs) should be considered for elective credit.
2. All degree students who complete a concentration in Church Social Work must do the following for their field internship experience in the Specialized year.

Specialized Internship:

SWO 5190/5790 or 5494/5490 Advanced Internship (8 hrs)

The Church Social Work Concentration students must also complete their advanced practice field education internships in a congregational or faith intentional setting working closely with a congregation(s). The Church Social Work Concentration student will include in his or her internship seminar a focus on church social work in all internship seminar assignments. The program may, from time to time, provide a special section of the field education seminar with special emphasis on Church Social Work.

Students apply for this concentration by completing the Concentration Application Form.

Baylor School of Social Work

**MSW Concentration Application Form**

**Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Faculty Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Concentration Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Concentration Plan:** Complete the Assignment Plan column in the following table with details for how course assignments will help you complete your Concentration.

| **Content Area** | **Course Work** | **Assignment Plan** |
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| Advanced Internship | SWO 5190/5790 or 5494/5490 (8 hrs) |  |
| Advanced Practice Skill | SWO 5375 and 5378, or 5379 and 5376 or 5377 Advanced Practice (6 hrs) |  |
| Advanced Practice Theory | SWO 5335 or 5337 (3 hrs) theory, and SWO 5375/5378 or 5379 and 5376 or 5377 Advanced Practice (6 hrs) |  |
| Advanced Policy | SWO 5323 Administrative Practice in Social Work (3 hrs) or SWO 5337 or 5335 (3 hrs) |  |
| Advanced Administrative  Practice | SWO 5323 Administrative Practice in Social Work (3 hrs) |  |
| Advanced Research | SWO 5182/5383 or 5282/5283 (4 hours) |  |
| Elective | A minimum of 2 approved graduate elective hours in the area of specialization |  |
| Continuing Education | The equivalent of 3 CEUs from workshops or conferences |  |
| Other | Student and faculty discretion |  |