

JOINT DEGREE OPTION: MASTER OF DIVINITY/ MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

The Master of Divinity/Master of Social Work Degree option (M.Div.-MSW) prepares students to provide leadership and service through congregations, religiously affiliated organizations, and faith communities. Church agencies, as well as family and children's agencies, gerontology programs, counseling centers, and community ministries in urban areas and international missions, need professional social workers. In addition, congregations often need the consultation and leadership in family and community ministry which social workers can provide. Many congregational leadership positions and often the chief executive officers of church-related agencies require an M.Div. or other graduate seminary degree as a qualification. This degree option, therefore, addresses this need for dual competency.

Admission

For admission to the joint degree option, candidates must apply and be accepted for both Truett Seminary's Master of Divinity degree option and the *Waco campus* of the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work's Master of Social Work degree option.

Requirements

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall		
COVG 7001	Covenant Group-I	0
THEO 7340	Introduction to Christian Scriptures ¹	3
THEO 7345	Introduction to Christian Theology ¹	3
LEAD 7301	Leadership for Ministry	3
Hours		9
Spring		
COVG 7002	Covenant Group-II	0
THEO 7370	Christian Scriptures I	3
THEO 7360	Christian Texts and Traditions I	3
THEO 7316	Christian Worship	3
THEO 7396	The Baptist Identity	3
Hours		12
Summer		
THEO 7361	Christian Texts and Traditions II	3
Truett Elective		3
Hours		6
Second Year		
Fall		
COVG 7003	Covenant Group-III	0
THEO 7372	Christian Scriptures II	3
THEO 7371	Christian Scriptures III	3
THEO 7362	Christian Texts and Traditions III	3
WOCW 7385	Introduction to Christian Witness and Mission	3
Hours		12

Spring		
COVG 7004	Covenant Group-IV	0
THEO 7373	Christian Scriptures IV	3
PRCH 7316	Preaching I	3
THEO 7382	Constructive Theology	3
PRTH 7391	Integrative Seminar: Faith and Practice	3

Hours 12

Third Year

Fall

SWO 5221	Introduction to the Profession	2
SWO 5561	Professional Practice with Individuals and Families	5
SWO 5362	Professional Practice with Groups	3
SWO 5491	Foundation Internship I	4
MENT 7V00	Mentoring in Ministry	5

Hours 19

Spring

SWO 5381	Research for Social Work Practice	3
SWO 5463	Professional Practice with Communities and Organizations	4
SWO 5322	Social Policy For Social Work Practice	3
SWO 5492	Foundation Internship II	4
MENT 7V00	Mentoring in Ministry	4

Hours 18

Fourth Year

Fall

Select one of the following sequences: 6

SWO 5379	Advanced Clinical Practice: Individuals, Families, and Groups	or	Advanced Practice I: Community Practice	3
SWO 5375				
SWO 5337	Advanced Clinical Theories and Models	or	or Frameworks and Perspectives for Community Practice	2
SWO 5335				
SWO 5282	Evaluation of Practice I	2		
SWO 5494	Part I Advanced Internship	4		
SWO 5323	Administrative Practice in Social Work	3		

Hours 15

Spring

Select one of the following sequences: 3

SWO 5376	Advanced Clinical Practice: Health Settings	or	or Advanced Clinical Practice: Children and Families	3
SWO 5377				
SWO 5378	Advanced Practice II: Community Practice	or	Practice	2
SWO 5283	Evaluation of Practice II			
SWO 5490	Part II Advanced Internship	4		
SWO 5298	Capstone	2		
Social Work Elective requirement met with Seminar courses				6

Hours 17

Total Hours 120

¹ These are required courses; however, based upon previous academic experience, students may petition to waive or substitute these courses.

Introductory courses are waived from the degree plan by passing an advanced standing exam (see the Advanced Standing Policy in the Truett Catalog).

Satisfactory completion of 200 Lifelong Learning Units
Satisfactory academic progress

Requirement	Hours
M.Div. hours	63 hrs.
M.S.W. Standard hours ¹	60 hrs.
Advanced Standing M.S.W. required coursework	29 hrs.
Actual non-repeating hours taken:	
26 hours M.S.W. + 63 hours M.Div	89 hrs.
54 hours M.S.W. + 63 M.Div	117 hrs.

¹ 6 hours of M.Div. coursework will count for Standard M.S.W. program, 3 Hours of M.Div. coursework will count for the Advanced Standing M.S.W. program.

Six (6) hours of Truett courses, Special Topics courses/seminars (SWO 4V80 Special Topics, SWO 5V80 Advanced Special Topics, SWO 5V70 Independent Study in Social Work) and/or other courses approved by the MSW Program Director may be taken to fulfill the elective requirement.

Students in the M.Div./MSW joint degree option should plan their coursework so that the M.Div. and the MSW degrees can be awarded simultaneously. Nevertheless, students who complete all work for the MSW degree can be awarded this degree first and separately; however, a student enrolled in this joint degree option may not receive the M.Div. degree first and separately but must receive the M.Div. degree either simultaneously with the MSW or subsequent to the awarding of the MSW.

Joint degree students should verify seminary program requirements with Truett Seminary and Social Work requirements with the MSW Program Director in the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work.