

WHAT CAN I EARN AS AN MSW STUDENT AT



CERTIFICATE

UNIVERSITY RECOGNITION

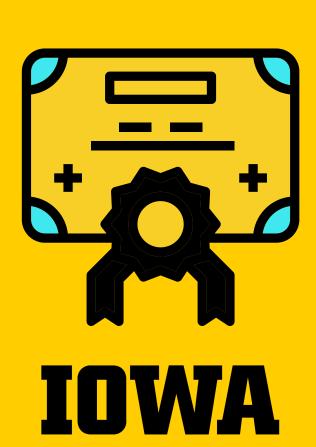
A certificate is a University-recognized credential. MSW students may earn a Certificate in Aging and Longevity Studies,
Leadership Studies,
or Public Health.



GRADUATE DEGREE (MSW)

DIPLOMA

While any of these credentials are optional, students seeking the MSW degree must complete **14 elective credit hours** if their undergraduate degree is in Social Work, or **11 elective credit hours** if their undergraduate degree is in another program.



School of Social Work

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FIELD OF PRACTICE

PROGRAM RECOGNITION

We offer several ways to specialize. Students may opt to organize their electives to focus upon a field of practice in one of these areas: Aging and End of Life Practice, Children and Families, Clinical Practice (including Trauma and Resilience), Leadership and Social Justice, or Higher Education.



ENDORSEMENT

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIAL

Students seeking employment in the Iowa Education System **must** earn either a School Social Work Endorsement or obtain the Statement of Professional Recognition (SPR) from the Iowa Department of Education. Students can complete the endorsement program of study while in the MSW program.



LICENSED MASTER SOCIAL WORKER (LMSW)

PROFESSIONAL STATE LICENSE

We encourage all of our graduates to obtain the LMSW, regardless of the system level of focus—and our pass rates for the licensure test are among the highest in the nation.

Students seeking employment at most agencies or clinics may need a license to practice social work. The LMSW is foundational to social workers who seek to obtain the LISW credential to provide therapy in private practice.

It's all in the handbook!