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Bachelor of Social Work

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Department of Social Work



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at Governors State University

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Social Work is far more than a profession. It is an avocation.

Social Workers bring their skills to bear on some
of the most pressing issues in our society.

Social Workers

Fight the effects of poverty

Heal relationships

Unite families

Ease suffering

Advocate and empower



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The health professions need you

When you become a student in the College of Health Professions at Governors State University, you accept a powerful commitment to help others. The health professions are about care – and caring. Health professionals like you are there when people are in need. You help them overcome illness and injury; you teach them how to work through disabilities to live more independent lives. You conduct research to seek out disparities in health care, and you manage the resources to provide quality care.

Excellent preparation

The College of Health Professions knows how important your commitment is to the future of health care, so our commitment is to you. We're here to help you achieve every goal. We'll provide you with the best instruction, excellent experience, and a thorough understanding of the emerging issues facing the health professions. We'll teach you how to be the health care professional you want to be. And we'll ask you to be a part of our vision for a more responsive, better informed, and fully accessible healthcare system.

The CHP vision

The College of Health Professions believes in community and diversity. Our research focuses on uncovering and eliminating disparities in the health care system. We work in the community to conduct research on a translational model. In other words, we bring what we learn back to the community, where it can do the most good. We believe this is important. We share this vision with our students. We want to share it with you.

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How to Apply

You may apply to any of the College of Health Profession's degree programs or certificates through the Governors State University **Admission page** at www.govst.edu/apply. For information, call the Governors State University **Office of Admission** at **708.534.4490**.

If you'd like to talk to a representative for the **BSW program**, call **708.235.3997**.

Visit us online at www.govst.edu/bsw.



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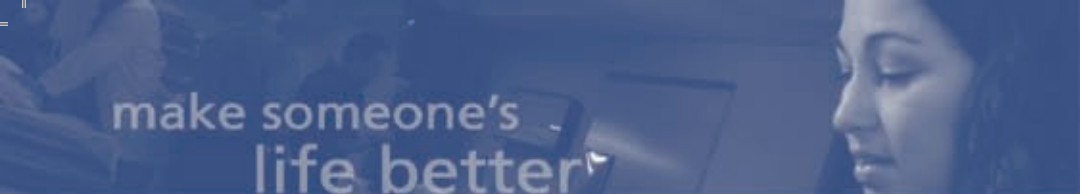
The Bachelor of Social Work program instills a unique and empowering philosophy in its students.

Our program is dedicated to the idea that social justice and human rights go hand-in-hand. Our curriculum is dedicated to the idea that the citizens of our communities – those who are vulnerable and marginalized – deserve the care and dignity they need to live full and fulfilling lives.

Our mandate is to work with communities to fight the dehumanizing effects of poverty. Our goal is to eliminate oppression of every kind – the recognized and unrecognized, institutional and social.

Please note: The Bachelor of Social Work program does not offer college credit for life experience.

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Comprehensive Curriculum

In the BSW program, you'll learn about and understand substance abuse, human behavior, and urban environments. You'll discover the legal aspects of Social Work, and you'll explore the boundaries and ethics of the profession. You'll gain the insight you need to work with children, families, and individuals who may be facing the most critical crises in their lives.

We also offer a child welfare concentration for students who are motivated to improve the welfare of children.

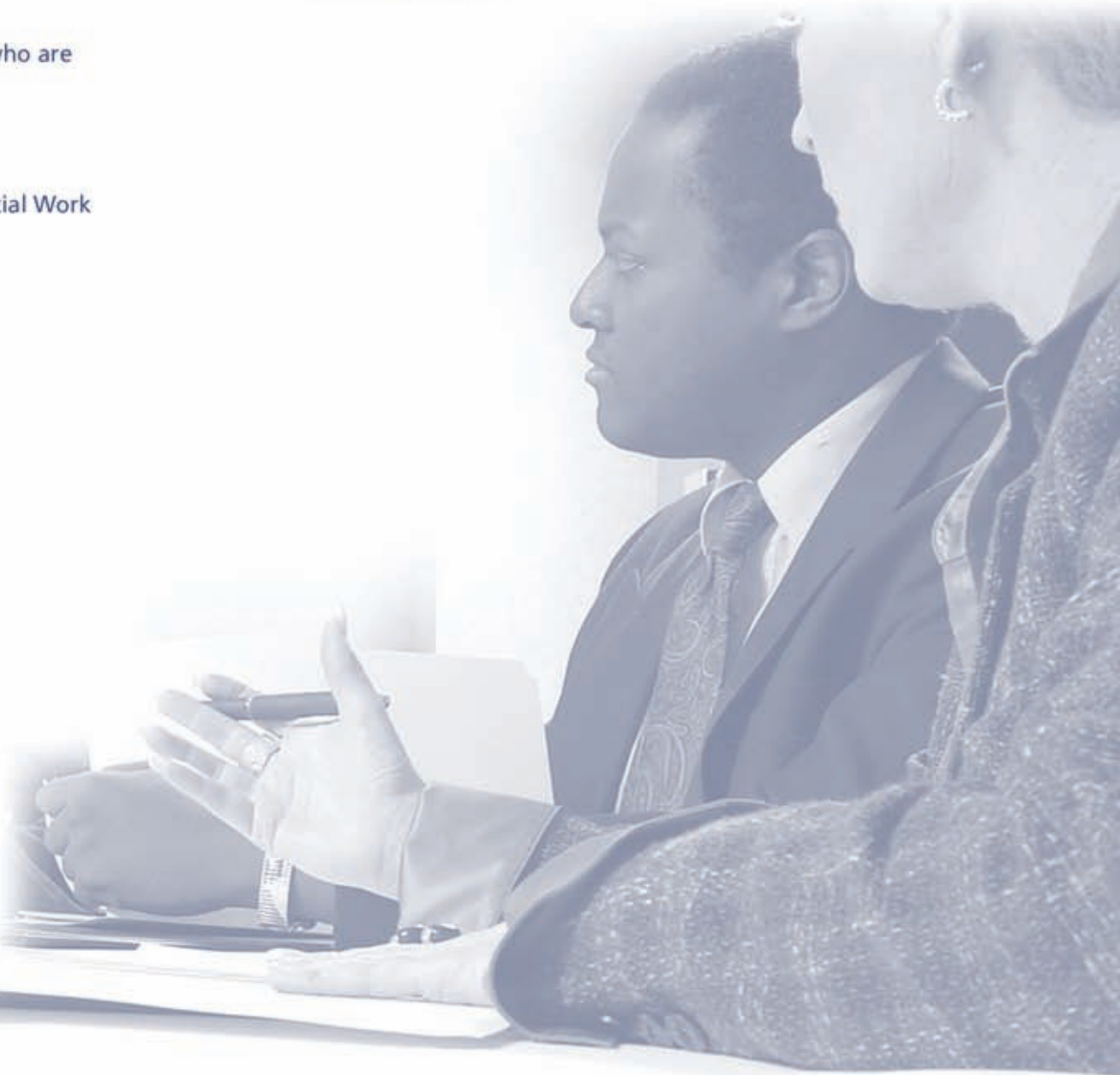
Fully Accredited

The BSW program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

Whether you're a traditional or non-traditional student, you'll find our BSW program ideally suited to your needs. Our faculty will teach you to think critically; engage in reflective practice; and apply Social Work knowledge, values, and skills as a generalist practitioner. Finally, we'll teach you to utilize evaluative method, to assess effectiveness, and research knowledge to continually improve your professional practice.



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