



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOCIAL WORK MAJORS

SKILLS & ABILITIES OF THE SOCIAL WORK MAJOR

- Interpersonal Communication
- Leadership Skills
- Extroverted
- Concern for others
- Critical Thinking
- Emotional Maturity
- Insight
- Conflict Resolution
- Objectivity
- Ability to Handle Stressful Situations
- Ethics
- Problem Solving
- Decision Making
- Listening Skills
- Ability to Promote Healthy Relationships
- Imaginative
- Positivity
- Motivational
- Persuasion
- Ability to Interview

POTENTIAL CAREERS

- Adoption Services Worker
- Administration and Planning
- Administration Research
- Advocacy
- Agency Director
- Case Management
- Child Protection Worker
- Clinical Social Work
- Drug Rehabilitation Counselor
- Family Services Worker
- Geriatric Assessment Coordinator
- Hospice Coordinator
- Human Resources Worker
- Human Services Worker
- Intake Specialist
- Intervention Specialist
- Juvenile Court Caseworker
- Lobbyist
- Nursing Home Social Worker
- Organizational Development
- Outreach Coordinator
- Parole/Probation Officer
- Planning Organizer
- Policy Analyst
- Program Evaluator
- Psychiatric Social Worker
- Public Policy
- Research Analyst
- Rehabilitation Therapist
- School Service Director
- Social Worker
- Victim Assistance
- Youth Services

TYPES OF EMPLOYERS

- Public Welfare Agencies
- Private Social Service Agencies
- Prisons and Correctional Facilities
- Courts
- School Districts
- Head Start Centers
- Early Intervention Programs
- Child Daycare
- Hospitals

- Police Departments
- Victim Service Organizations
- Senior Centers
- Labor Unions
- Community Residential Homes
- Probation Departments
- Research Institutes
- Group Homes
- Adoption Agencies
- Businesses
- Labor Unions
- Outpatient Clinics
- Public Health Programs
- Foster Care Organizations
- Development Corporations
- Hospice
- HMOs

ACTIVITIES ON THE JOB

- More than 1/2 of social workers spend a major amount of their time providing human services through social services agencies
- About 10% spend most of their time engaging in administrative duties.
- About 8% spend most of their typical work week in teaching activities.
- About 7% spend most of their work week in sales, marketing, and purchasing.
- About 7% spend most of their time performing employee relations activities.

POST-GRADUATION ACTIVITIES

- About 36% of all social work graduates with a bachelor's degree proceed to earn a post graduate degree.
- About 60% of master's degrees earned by social work undergraduates are earned in social work.
- About 11% of master's degrees earned by social work undergraduates are earned in education.
- About 8% of master's degrees earned by social work undergraduates are earned in psychology.
- Only 1% of social work bachelor's degrees recipients go on to earn a doctorate. 35% of those doctorates are in psychology, 28% are in education and 26% are in social work.