

**WARRIOR STRONG**



**2021 MSW Day - Advanced Year Curriculum  
Admissions, Fieldwork and Licensing**

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Saturday, October 9, 2021 9am – 1pm Virtual Zoom

# Office of Admissions & Student Services

- Applications for MSW admissions via **Slate**
  - Check Slate for status of your application
- MSW Advanced Standing begins in Summer
  - 5 year or less BSW degree
  - 36 credits
  - 10 months, 1 year, 2 years
- MSW Core
  - 60 credits
  - 2 years, 3 years or 4 years

# Office of Field Education (OFE)

- Email from OFE by early March
  - Will contain individualized user name and password to access **IPT** - do not share with other students
  - Complete and upload resume
  - Call to set up appointment to discuss field placement
  - Dr. Takisha LaShore, Director of Field Education
  - Look at specialized field placement training programs
    - Wayne Together Child Welfare Training Program
    - Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training
    - Opioid Workforce Expansion Program

# Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

[www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov)

**LARA - Social  
Worker**

**LICENSED**



# Michigan Licenses for the Health Professions

- Health Professional licenses are an earned privilege that is granted by the State, Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)
- Requires responsibility to the public
- Mandates “Good Moral Character” - the propensity of the person to serve the public in the licensed area in a fair, honest and open manner



## Michigan Public Health Code

### **MCL 333.18511 Practice of social work; requirements.**

Sec. 18511.

A licensee shall not perform an act, task, or function within the practice of social work unless he or she is trained to perform the act, task, or function and the performance of the act, task, or function is consistent with the **code of ethics for social workers**.



# Practice Protection

(scope of practice)



# Title Protection

*(Who can call themselves what)*



# Regulation: Title and Practice Protection

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- Only individuals who are licensed can call themselves social workers and practice social work
- Tasks defined by the public health code as social work have to be done by licensed social workers
- Effective July 1, 2005, ALL LBSW and LMSW Applicants are required to have a degree in social work

# Scope of Practice

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- New Practitioners have Limited License
  
- LMSW with two designations: clinical and macro
  - Initial license issued for one area or practice but second area may be acquired with experience under supervision of LMSW in that area

# LARA Application Description - Macro

- Community organization; program planning and development; administration of community services or programs; assessment of client needs for macro community programs or services; coordination and/or evaluation of service delivery; advocacy on behalf of persons or groups with unmet needs; social welfare policy; organizational analysis; and, provision of training about community needs and problems.

# LARA Application Description -Clinical

- Advocating for care; protecting the vulnerable; providing forensic practice functions; increasing social well-being; providing education and resources; providing psychotherapy; providing case management for complex and high-risk cases; serving on clinical programs.



**WHY?**

***.....provides consumers with an assurance of the qualifications of licensees along with a means of enforcement for the benefit of the public.***

# EXAM Requirement

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Must pass either the ASWB  
**Clinical** Examination or the  
ASWB Advanced Generalist  
Examination/**Macro**

# Accountability: Responsibility and Professional Role

- Taking responsibility for your license
- Be mindful of laws, rules, expectations
- Know who you are and the inter-play with who you are working with
- Self monitor for capacity to work
- Commitment to ongoing professional development – targeted to include knowledge, skills and abilities

# Macro vs Clinical License & Concentration Choice

- Choice
- Competency
- Pigeon Holed?
- Electives – blending of concentration
- CE to maintain competency
- Ethical practice
- Mentors, cohorts
- Supervision



# WSU SSW Resources Available

- [Licensure Practice Exam - Continuing Education - Wayne State University](#)
- [Social Work Alumni Mentor Program - Alumni - Wayne State University](#)