

Bachelor of Arts Social Welfare

HOW TO APPLY

Step One: Apply to UW Tacoma

Current UW Tacoma students:

- Download and complete the **Declare/Change Major Form:**
www.tacoma.washington.edu/students/declaring.cfm

Return completed form with materials in step two.

Transfer students:

- Complete the UW Tacoma **Application for Transfer Admission** with payment of the \$50 application fee. You are encouraged to apply online—your application will be processed faster and it saves paper and postage—or you can download the application as a PDF file to submit by mail:

www.tacoma.washington.edu/apply

- Request an **official transcript** for all college-level coursework. High school transcripts are required *only* if foreign language or intermediate algebra requirements were completed in high school. When possible, UW Tacoma requests electronic transcript submission from all Washington state community and technical colleges (code 412).

Step Two: Apply to the Social Welfare degree program

- All Social Welfare applicants must complete the **Social Welfare Application** which includes:
 - Admissions essay
 - Current résumé

Mail or bring all items for **step two** to:

Social Work Program
Attn: Undergraduate Admissions
University of Washington Tacoma
Campus Box 358425
1900 Commerce Street
Tacoma, WA 98402-3100

AUTUMN QUARTER PRIORITY DATE

April 1, 2009

Complete applications received by the priority application date will be assured of a review; applications received after this date will be reviewed on a space-available basis.

Note: Your application will not be reviewed for admission until all items have been received.

Social Welfare admits students for **Autumn Quarter only.**

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All admission requirements must be fulfilled before you begin classes. For more information on admission requirements, go to:

tacoma.washington.edu/social/academics/basw/admission.cfm

HOW TO CONTACT SOCIAL WORK

tacoma.washington.edu/social

Office: WCG 203

Phone: 253-692-5820

Fax: 253-692-5825

E-mail: tsocial@u.washington.edu

Social Welfare Application

Please type or print clearly.

SECTION A: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Indicate year you wish to enter: Autumn Quarter Year

Full Legal Name (last, first, middle) <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.		
Mailing address (street and number)	(city)	(state) (ZIP)
Phone number (home) ()	(work or cell) ()	E-mail address
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Application status: <input type="checkbox"/> I am a current UW Tacoma student. <input type="checkbox"/> I am applying to transfer to UW Tacoma. Have you submitted your Application for Transfer Admission? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	UW Student Number

SECTION B: PROGRAM PREREQUISITES

Please provide information on all of the prerequisites you have completed below. If you have not completed a prerequisite, please indicate the quarter/year you intend to complete it. Please note that a minimum 2.0 ("C") grade is required in each course. If you received below a 2.0, you will be required to repeat the course prior to beginning the program.

Prerequisite	College	Course Abbreviation & Number	Quarter/Year Completed	Grade
Psychology (intro or survey course)				
Sociology (intro or survey course)				
Economics (intro, survey, micro or macro)				
Human biology*				

*Approved human biology courses must have been completed within the last 10 years. For a list of approved courses, visit tacoma.washington.edu/social.

SECTION C: INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED

List all higher education institutions you have attended, including the University of Washington, in the order you attended them.

School name	Location		Dates attended	
	City	State	From	To

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SECTION D: ESSAY AND RESUME

Note about the essay: If you are completing the online Application for Transfer Admission, you will submit your essay as part of that application. You do not need to submit your essay twice. Please follow the essay guidelines below.

ESSAY

The admissions essay is a critical element in the review of each applicant's qualifications. Applicants are urged to carefully follow the instructions provided below and to be as thorough as possible within the guidelines set. The essay should be typed, double-spaced with a size of 11 or 12 font. Each part of your essay should be clearly titled.

Part A. Please give a brief (one page maximum) autobiographical statement that supports your interest in a social work career. Include information about the following:

- Any special obstacles that you have met and overcome
- Examples of leadership
- Other influences (either positive or negative) that have shaped your interest in social work

Part B. Please describe your volunteer or work experiences that relate to social services (one page maximum). Include:

- Your duties as a social service provider
- What you learned from the experience
- How the experience has influenced your career goals
- Any involvement with disadvantaged populations
- Any involvement with social issues

RÉSUMÉ

Provide a résumé of experiences that relate to social services (one page maximum) that includes the following:

- Any social service experiences either paid or volunteer (**you must list dates and total hours of involvement**)
- Special awards, achievements, honors that you have earned
- Special skills (e.g., bilingual skills, artistic talent, research skills)

Upon admission, each applicant will be required to complete a background check (required \$69 fee) and read and agree to the Standards for Essential Abilities and Attributes for Admission and Continuance in the Social Work Program.

The Social Work Program reserves the right, on the basis of educational judgement, to recommend to the University that an applicant be denied admission or to recommend dismissal to the University of an admitted student whose academic record or performance in field instruction does not meet minimal expectations or whose performance is not consistent with the accepted standards for professional behavior.

In signing this form, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the above statement and that all materials submitted are complete and accurate. I understand that my application is incomplete without my signature.

Signature

Signature of Applicant

Date

Submit this application, essay and résumé to:

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