

# PHD IN SOCIAL WELFARE

Curriculum, Funding, and Application



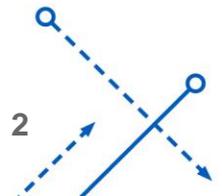
University at Buffalo

School of Social Work

# PhD Program Curriculum Overview

	Fall	Spring
Year 1	SW Scholarship Proseminar (1 cr.) SW Processes Proseminar Advanced Analysis Research Methods	SW Scholarship Proseminar (1 cr.) Advanced Analysis Elective Elective
Year 2	SW Scholarship Proseminar (1 cr.) SW Theories Proseminar Advanced Analysis Elective Research Internship (2 cr.)	SW Research Proseminar Elective Elective Research Internship (2 cr.)
Year 3	Comprehensive exams & dissertation	
Year 4+	Dissertation	

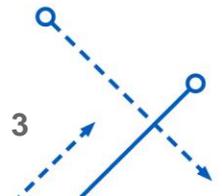
- Except the SW-based proseminars and research internship, courses may be taken in any sequence and in any department at UB.
- Unless otherwise noted, all courses are worth 3 credits.



# PhD Program Funding Overview

	Curriculum	Funding
Year 1	Coursework	Tuition waiver <sup>1</sup> + Assistantship stipend <sup>2</sup>
Year 2	Coursework	Tuition waiver + Assistantship stipend
Year 3	Comprehensive exams & dissertation	Tuition waiver <sup>3</sup> + Assistantship stipend
Year 4+	Dissertation	Self-funded <sup>4</sup>

- 1 Tuition waiver = full tuition coverage at in-state rate for domestic US students (out-of-state rate for international students) for up to 47 credits.
- 2 Assistantship = 20 hours/week, 12 month appointment; \$16,000 per year.
- 3 Tuition waiver in Year 3 applicable only if students have not reached the 47 credit limit.
- 4 Beginning in Year 4 (and/or 47 credits), students must secure their own funding (e.g., working on a faculty research grant, teaching, serving as a field liaison).



# PhD Program Application Overview

- Online application & fee
- Academic transcripts
- MSW (from CSWE-accredited institution) or international equivalent
- GRE within 5 years
- Resumé or curriculum vitae
- Three letters of recommendation
- Academic writing sample (in APA style)
- Research statement
- TOEFL required of some international applicants
- An interview may be requested

**Application Deadlines:** November 25; February 1; April 1

