

Dear Master of Social Work Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Master of Social Work (MSW) program at California State University, Los Angeles. We are committed to preparing generalist social workers to work effectively in socially, culturally and economically diverse urban communities. We are proud of the quality of our program in helping students develop their skills and knowledge in preparation for professional careers in social work.

Enclosed you will find a School of Social Work supplemental application form, instructions for writing your personal statement, a listing of prerequisite equivalencies, grade-point average (GPA) computation guidelines, and one reference form.

Before submitting your application, you should be familiar with the requirements for admission as described in the California State University Catalog under the School of Social Work at www.calstatela.edu/catalog. The Catalog contains comprehensive information on the structure of the curriculum, including program information on our concentrations and area of interest, and the application process.

PLEASE NOTE

- Incomplete applications cannot be considered. Applications that are submitted without all supporting documentation will not be considered until all documents are received.
- The closing date for receipt of applications is February 1st 2008. Applications received after the closing date will only be considered in the event of vacant places arising.
- Once your application is submitted you will not have access to the contents of the application, therefore it is recommended that you make a copy of all materials for your personal file.
- We will begin accepting applications November 15, 2007.

All of the following materials must be submitted:

- ✓ School of Social Work Supplemental Application.
- ✓ Personal Statement.
- ✓ One official, sealed transcript from all colleges and universities attended.
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation completed on enclosed Reference Form.
- ✓ Official copy of scores from the Graduate Record Examination.
- ✓ Two self-addressed, stamped envelopes.

All application materials must be submitted together in one mailing to:

California State University, Los Angeles
School of Social Work
MSW Admissions Office
Salazar Hall C109
5151 State University Dr.
Los Angeles, CA 90032-8164

In addition to the School of Social Work application, you will need to submit the 2006-2007 CSU Postbaccalaureate and Graduate Admission application simultaneously but separately to the Office of Admissions and University Outreach. You may apply online at: http://www.csumentor.edu/AdmissionApp/grad_apply.asp or pick up an application on campus.

You are strongly encouraged to submit your application materials as soon as possible. Please review the bulletin to determine which deadlines apply to you.

Priority admissions deadline:	February 1, 2008
International applicant admissions deadline:	March 1, 2008
Final admissions deadline:	March 15, 2008

Information meetings are also available for prospective students. No advanced reservation is needed and all interested students are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions during the application process that may need immediate attention, please contact the MSW Admissions Office at (323) 343-4684. Due to the high volume of calls received, please be advised that we may not be able to answer your call directly, but we will get in touch with you as soon as possible. Please use this letter as an admissions checklist when submitting your application.

Again, we appreciate your interest in the School of Social Work and look forward to reviewing your application.

Sincerely,
Michelle Lightburn,
MSW Admissions Coordinator