Online MSSA: Advance Change in Your Community
RANKED SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK IN AMERICA (#1 IN OHIO), BY U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT

1ST PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK GRADUATE SCHOOL IN THE UNITED STATES, FOUNDED IN 1915

96% MSSA STUDENTS RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT, TOTALING OVER $4 MILLION PER YEAR

7,800+ ALUMNI IN ALL 50 STATES AND 41 COUNTRIES

4 INTERNATIONALLY-RENOVED RESEARCH CENTERS INFLUENCING SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE AND POLICY

43,639 VOLUMES IN THE HARRIS LIBRARY, THE OLDEST SOCIAL WORK LIBRARY IN AMERICA
Become an advocate for change.

Online Master of Science in Social Administration (MSSA, equivalent to an MSW)
HIGH STANDARDS
The Online Master of Science in Social Administration (MSSA, equivalent to an MSW) represents the future of social work education and practice through our interactive online learning model. The Online MSSA is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), the nationally recognized professional accrediting association for social work graduate and undergraduate programs. The degree fulfills the educational requirements for clinical licensure.

THE INNOVATION OF ONLINE LEARNING
Online learning has come a long way since its inception. At the Mandel School, we understand that a campus-based education is not always an option for busy working professionals in the social services field. That's why we've developed an online format of our MSSA program, which makes it possible for you to earn your degree while simultaneously balancing the demands of work and family.

Our Online MSSA program utilizes the most advanced online learning tool, Adobe Connect, to provide students with a highly immersive, engaging and impactful educational experience. In addition to completing the same rigorous curriculum as our campus-based students, you will have the opportunity to interact with and learn from our distinguished faculty and peers through our combination of:
- Self-paced learning
- Interactive teacher-led course sessions
- Synchronous dedicated live sessions

BECOME A LEADER
Our students learn through a competency-based curriculum and can leave our program with the confidence, both personally and professionally, to lead in the field.

The Online MSSA program offers three specializations:

- **Community Practice for Social Change**: Focus on issues such as globalization, poverty and inequality so you can lead and organize social change on a broad scale.
- **Direct Practice — Children, Youth and Families**: Learn the theories and practices that help young people and families through adoption, drug use, physical abuse and other issues.
- **Direct Practice — Mental Health with Adults**: Help transform communities through community-based mental health practice with adults. This specialization examines public health, drug treatment and other issues.

TRADITIONAL AND ADVANCED TRACKS
With two track options, Traditional and Advanced Standing, our Online MSSA students are able to pursue a degree that takes their educational experience into consideration.

- **Traditional**: For students without a Bachelor’s of Social Work, the traditional track is a total of 60 credit hours over 8 semesters and can be completed in 2.5 years.
- **Advanced Standing**: For applicants with a bachelor's degree in social work (BSW) within the last seven years from a CSWE-accredited institution, the advanced standing track is 36 credit hours. Apply up to 24 credit hours and earn your degree in as few as two years.
FACULTY FOCUSED ON YOU

Having someone believe in you is the most important resource any school can provide. When you enter the Mandel School, our faculty will believe in you. They are, first and foremost, mentors and teachers. They are icons in their respective fields, world-renowned for their transformative, cutting-edge research. But their doors are open, their classrooms are engaged, and their true passion is for their talented students who are the future of social work.

“As a working professional, the Online MSSA made the most sense for my education and career. Pursuing a graduate degree gives me the tools I need professionally and helps me achieve my core values - speaking up for those in need.”
FIELD EDUCATION: REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE
As with all accredited social work master’s programs, we require field study as part of the Online MSSA. It’s your chance to put what you’re learning into practice, offers a unique opportunity to work with senior-level social work leaders, and helps you develop a professional identity that can lead to success.

What differentiates our Online MSSA program is the freedom to choose your field education site. Field education isn’t just an integral component of the MSSA program, it’s essential for any social worker’s career, and we believe you should have a say in the location.

HOW TO APPLY
We encourage you to apply to the Mandel School. The application form is online: msass.case.edu/apply. There is no application fee. Your submission must include:

- Transcripts from an accredited undergraduate college or university, including from any institution where you completed six or more credits
- Three recommendation letters (preferably from a faculty member, direct supervisor, or volunteer coordinator)
- Personal statement that is exemplary of graduate school-level writing
- Submission of a field education plan and completion of the field education application
- Resume highlighting your work and volunteer experiences

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID
Every student who applies to the Mandel School is automatically considered for our merit-based scholarships. The admissions office has a dedicated financial aid adviser on staff to match you with the best financial aid opportunities available, including federal loan programs, veteran’s benefits, and external scholarships.
Start Today

100% online coursework for work and life balance

No GRE or admission fee required

Choose from 3 specializations

Accelerated track available for BSW — just 36 credit hours

All applicants receive scholarship consideration

Same academic standards and distinguished faculty as our on-campus MSSA program

Choose your organization as a field education site
Think Beyond

As the #9 ranked social work school in the United States and the highest ranked school at Case Western Reserve University, the Mandel School is at the forefront of educating future leaders in social work and nonprofit management. Our mission is to promote social justice and empower communities. Our research is shaping public policy, informing social change, and transforming lives. Our students are talented, compassionate, diverse people who are educated and mentored by world-renowned professors and taught in a rigorous, groundbreaking curriculum that will prepare them to change the world.

If you are thinking about how you want to change the world, think the Mandel School. Learn more:

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