



# PhD: Developing Leadership in Social Work Theory, Research, and Teaching



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# #9

RANKED SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK IN AMERICA (#1 IN OHIO), BY *U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT*

# 1<sup>ST</sup>

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

# #8

RANK OF FACULTY SCHOLARLY PRODUCTIVITY AMONG U.S. SOCIAL WORK SCHOOLS, USING THE H-INDEX

# 8:1

STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO, ONE OF THE NATION'S LOWEST

# 7,800+

ALUMNI IN ALL 50 STATES, 41 COUNTRIES, AND TEACHING AT TOP SOCIAL WORK SCHOOLS

# \$4 MILLION

SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP AWARDS TO STUDENTS

# 16<sup>TH</sup>

CLEVELAND'S RANKING ON *FORBES'* LIST OF MOST AFFORDABLE CITIES IN AMERICA



The foundation you  
need to generate new  
knowledge on the  
policies, programs, and  
practice of social work.

Doctorate in Social Welfare  
(PhD)

// I'm from South Korea and this is my first time living in the United States. The Mandel School is a very warm and supportive academic and professional learning environment. //

The Mandel School's doctoral program is excellent preparation for careers in social welfare research, policy, and teaching, with a curriculum that emphasizes the creative and evaluative skills necessary for independent inquiry, critical thinking, teaching, and research.

#### BECOME KNOWLEDGEABLE AND TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN:

- Social and behavioral sciences
- Research design, research implementation, statistics, and the philosophy of science
- Theory-building and theories of social welfare
- Methods for application and transmission of knowledge in social welfare and human services to diverse audiences

#### FULL AND PART-TIME STUDY OPTIONS

Both formats are structured to maximize interaction among students and faculty. Requirements in both formats include 36 hours of coursework, passing a qualifying examination, 18 hours of dissertation credits, and completing a dissertation.

- The part-time format accommodates professionals who must maintain their employment commitments but wish to pursue PhD study through the completion of four courses per year.
- Full-time students complete six courses per year and engage in a research fellowship.
- Funding is available in the form of research and training fellowships, tuition waivers, and subsidized health insurance.

#### COMPLETE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND STUDENT PROFILES:

[msass.case.edu/doctorate](https://msass.case.edu/doctorate)

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// The doctoral program is unique and unrivaled in terms of the emphasis on multiple methods of research (quantitative, qualitative, mixed, and systematic review). It is well-organized and hands-on. //



#### FACULTY FOCUSED ON YOU

Having someone believe in you is the most important resource any school can provide – especially when you make the commitment to a doctoral program. Our faculty are, first and foremost, mentors and teachers, committed to doctoral education and dedicated to fostering collaborative relationships to help students grow.

#### RECORD YEARS FOR RESEARCH

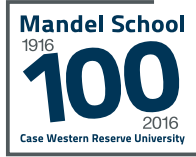
Our diverse faculty are world-renowned for their transformative, cutting-edge research and consistently ranked as the leading scholars in the field of social work. Since 2012, research funding at the Mandel School has increased by 58% and set new records in the school's 100-year history, reflecting the productivity of our faculty, the caliber of their work, and the impact it is having on individuals, communities, and the social work field.







// As a doctoral student, I'm a researcher, a national presenter and speaker, an author, and a teacher, all bundled into my identity as a student. All of these opportunities opened to me because I chose to come to the Mandel School. //



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# 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. To find out more or to schedule a visit, go to: [msass.case.edu/doctorate](https://msass.case.edu/doctorate)



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