

Master of Social Work/MSW Writing Proficiency Exam Requirement

Applicants are required to complete the MSW Writing Exam through the CSUB Testing Center (for appointment call 661 654-3373). To prepare for the Exam, review the below prompt. Applicants will write a response to this prompt during their exam.

Provide a personal statement that describes your interest in social work. Your essay shall be two pages double-spaced and should address the following:

- Significant personal, academic, and /or professional factors influencing your decision to pursue a Master of Social Work degree.
- Relevant personal, academic, and/or professional experiences, qualities, and/or abilities that will contribute to your overall success as a graduate student and in the social work profession.
- Your career goals, commitment to social change (or justice), and interest in particular social work issues, including specific populations.
- Specific reasons CSUB Department of Social Work is a good fit for your educational and professional goals.