**Graduate Programs**

**College for Design and Social Inquiry**

**Degree:** Doctor of Social Work (D.S.W.)  
**Major:** Social Work

**Important information about applying to Graduate School:**

- **Transcripts:** Submit official transcripts in sealed envelopes from all schools attended.  
  NOTE: If you attended one of the Florida State University System institutions, transcripts may be requested electronically.

- **Supporting documentation:** Supplemental applications, letters of recommendation, and/or portfolios should be submitted directly to your graduate program.

- **Conduct:** A “yes” answer to either of the conduct questions on the online application will require a written explanation. Additional information may be requested when your application is under review. Applications will not be fully processed until all conduct issues are cleared.

- **Application status:** Once your application has been submitted, you can check your application status online to ensure transcripts and test scores have been received.  
  NOTE: Application status will say incomplete until an admission decision has been made.

- **Residency classification:** Your residency classification automatically defaults to non-Florida. After you are admitted, the residency officer will request additional documents by email if needed.

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**Admission Requirements**

### Domestic Students
- Master of Social Work (MSW) Degree with GPA of 3.5 or higher
- Minimum of 2 years of post-MSW experience
- Scores from GRE or MAT
- Three letters of recommendation
- Personal Statement & Capstone Proposal
- DSW Application
- Current Resume/CV
- A current LCSW or its equivalent, license eligibility, or registration as a Florida social work intern or its equivalent (in social work only)
- Interview as requested by the admissions committee
- Students will have a criminal background check, completed upon admission

### International Students
- Master of Social Work (MSW) Degree with GPA of 3.5 or higher
- Minimum of 2 years of post-MSW experience
- Scores from GRE or MAT
- Three letters of recommendation
- Personal Statement & Capstone Proposal
- DSW Application
- Current Resume/CV
- A current LCSW or its equivalent, license eligibility, or registration as a Florida social work intern or its equivalent (in social work only)
- TOEFL Score of 580 or IBT of 92-93
- Interview as requested by the admissions committee
- A course-by-course evaluation of international transcripts is required; FAU will do the evaluation or it must be done by a NACES member
- Students will have a criminal background check, completed upon admission

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**Application Deadlines**

**Domestic Students**
- Fall (only): April 1  
  No Spring acceptance  
  No Summer acceptance

**International Students**
- Fall (only): February 1  
  No Spring acceptance  
  No Summer acceptance