SOCIAL WORK, M.S.W. &
PASTORAL STUDIES, M.A.
(AQUINAS INSTITUTE OF
THEOLOGY) DUAL DEGREE

The School of Social Work at Saint Louis University and Aquinas Institute of Theology offer dual degree program comprised of a Master of Social Work & Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies, which allows students to complete both degrees in 80 credits instead of the 105 credits required to complete both degrees independently.

Through a dual track of coursework and fieldwork, the program is designed to prepare students for professional social work and pastoral ministry. The program provides the framework, skills, and resources necessary for spiritually oriented social work practice and deepens a professional’s commitment to social justice.

Social ministry settings for practica and for employment include both ecumenical and denominational organizations. Examples include interfaith coalitions; church councils; peace and justice organizations; parishes; and diocesan, metropolitan, regional, synodal, or national organizations. Applicants must fulfill all admission requirements for both schools, and acceptance into both programs is required for admission into the dual degree program.

For additional information see the catalog entries for the following programs:


Pastoral Studies, M.A.P.S. (Aquinas Institute of Theology) (https://www.ai.edu/Academics/Masters-Degrees/MA-in-Pastoral-Studies)

Accreditation
The baccalaureate social work program at Saint Louis University has been continuously accredited since 1974.

The master’s social work program at Saint Louis University has been continuously accredited since 1930.

Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
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Alexandria, VA 22314-3457
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Admission
Students must meet the admission requirements and be admitted into both degree programs according to the processes of each of the participating academic units in order to pursue a dual degree program.

Individuals may apply to the M.S.W. degree program concurrently with the M.A.P.S. degree program at Aquinas Institute.

Requirements
In place of 12 credits of social work electives, dual degree M.A.P.S./M.S.W. students take 12 credits of M.A.P.S. courses.

Continuation Standards
Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 in all graduate/professional courses.