| CAREER SERVICES WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR? SOCIAL WORK

Social work focuses on addressing societal issues and promoting individual, group, and community well-being through advocacy, intervention, and support services . They pay special attention to issues of social justice and work frequently with those affected by poverty and discrimination. Social work is a distinct academic field, and graduates with degrees in social work can be employed in a variety of settings, including medical clinics, mental health areas, child welfare organizations, schools, legislative and policy organizations, and more.

COMMON JOB TITLES * additional education or certification required post graduation

ENTRY & MID LEVEL POSITIONS:

Case Manager Family Protection Specialist Community/Family Services Manager **Community Health Worker** Policy Analyst* Advocacy Outreach Specialist

Social Service Coordinator Counselor* Social Worker Child Welfare Supervisor Behavioral Health Technician **Research Coordinator**

AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT: where do social work majors typically work?

K-12 Schools: OPS, Millard Public Schools, LPS Colleges & Universities: UNO, UNL, UNK Child Welfare Organizations: NE Children & Families Foundation Hospitals & Health Departments: Nebraska Medicine, Douglas County Health Department Nonprofit Organizations: Boys Town, Child Saving Institute Government: NE DHHS, NE Dept of Education, NE Dept of VA Community Mental Health: CenterPointe, Heartland FS Head Start Centers: Community Action, NE Head Start Centers Nursing & Group Homes: Madonna, Hillcrest, Mosaic Prisons & Correctional Facilities: NE State Pent., NE Correctional Youth Facility (NCYF) Probation & Parole Departments: NE State Probation System Community Centers: Latino Center of the Midlands, Completely KIDS

IMPORTANT QUALITIES:

Transferable Skills Gained:

Problem-solving skills **Communication Skills** Listening & Empathy Skills Leadership & Collaboration Skills

Concrete Skills Gained:

Microsoft Office SPSS/R Google Scholar Google Suite

HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS :

Join the **<u>UNO Student Social Work Organization</u>** to connect with other students, and participate in student service activities Get involved with UNO Community Engagement within the Student Service and Leadership Collaborative Attend & participate in events and research at UNO Goldstein Center for Human Rights, the UNO Juvenile Justice Institute, and more

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MAJOR + MINOR SPECIALIZATION: HOW CAN I SPECIALIZE IN SOMETHING BEFORE I GRADUATE?

<u>Social Work</u> + <u>Political Science minor</u> = <u>Policy Analyst*</u> <u>Social Work</u> + <u>Public Administration minor</u> = <u>Child Welfare Supervisor</u> <u>Social Work</u> + <u>Psychology minor</u> = <u>Mental Health/Substance Abuse Counselor</u>*

OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK:

<u>Social & Community Service Managers</u> <u>Social Workers</u> <u>Mental Health Counselors</u> School Counselors & Advisors

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

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Check out daily job postings on **Handshake** related to accounting jobs, internships, and opportunities to boost your student experience

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION:

A **Masters degree** or **Doctoral Degree** may be beneficial or required after graduation depending on your desired career path. Advanced degrees offer opportunities for research, specialization, and development.

More Information:

<u>UNO Social Work Graduate Program</u> <u>UNO Graduate Programs A-Z</u>



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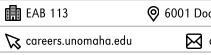
Career Exploration in Career Services

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Occupational Outlook Handbook

NEED SOME EXTRA HELP?

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