



MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™

SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION—PERSONAL STATEMENT EXPECTATIONS & OUTLINE

EXPECTATIONS

- Format: APA
- Length: 4-8 pages
- Clearly address each of the areas and questions below.
- Introduction and conclusion paragraphs are strongly encouraged.
- References and a reference page should be provided if warranted.

CONTENT OUTLINE

Experiential Assessment

1. How did your interest in social work develop?
2. Detail where you completed your experiential learning hours and discuss your duties/roles/takeaways in the SW2313 Introduction to Social Work.
3. How else have you explored your interest in social work through additional volunteer and/or employed social service experience?

Self-Assessment

1. Describe the strengths you possess which you believe would contribute to the practice of social work.
2. Based upon your self-assessment, identify at least three areas of needed personal and/or professional development and your plan for growth in these areas. Be specific.

Goals and Questions

1. What are your educational goals, and what do you expect from an undergraduate social work program? Have you identified an area(s) for future practice?
2. Identify any questions you have about the Mississippi State University Social Work Program or about the social work profession.

Statement of Social Problem

1. Describe one of the most pressing social problems that concerns you.
2. When employed as a social worker, how do you hope to impact the problem you identify?