Application to Salisbury University's Master of Social Work Program requires applicants to apply online. Listed below are the documents and information required.
All applications must be submitted online by the due date or the application will not be considered for the semester applied.

DUE DATES

The Social Work Department will be accepting online applications to the fall 2015 Master of Social Work program beginning August 2014.
Completed applications to all sites will be accepted no later than February 3, 2015.

Complete these documents within the online application:

- Graduate Program Admission Application
- Application Fee ($65.00, non-refundable-subject to change)
- Residency/Domicile Information Form
- Attach complete resume

Personal Statement Instructions:
Personal statements from the applicant are a vital part of the application process. The statements provide insight into your prior experiences and how you relate those experiences to social work. Your aptitude for critical thinking and written self-expression is evaluated. It is recommended that each statement be 2-3 pages in length. Applicants are encouraged to complete their statements in a Word document and then attach them to the application in the space provided.

Statement of Confidentiality: Mandated reporters are persons who, in the course of their work, may be privy to information that they are required to report to the appropriate enforcement agency. Social workers in the state of Maryland are mandated reporters, and must report any disclosure of suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect, including child sexual abuse. Salisbury University social work faculty and staff are required to report any suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect, whether or not the suspected incident was previously reported. Therefore, any disclosure (written or verbal) by students or prospective students of suspected incidents of child abuse and/or neglect will be immediately reported to the appropriate authorities.

Personal Statement 1 - Self-Awareness: To effectively help others, you need a full understanding of self. Self-awareness is an ongoing process that includes an assessment of your own interpersonal skills, values and biases. Personal experiences are crucial to this process. What events, experiences or "turning points" in your life led you to seek your MSW?

Personal Statement 2 - Personal Challenge: We all face challenges and problems in our own lives, and we help friends with their problems. Please discuss a time when you have faced a problem in your own life or have assisted a friend with a problem. What was the problem? How did you analyze it? What did you do? What was the outcome? What would you do differently if faced with this problem again?

Personal Statement 3 - Contribution: The MSW program wishes to provide students with a broad range of educational experiences. How do you see yourself contributing to this program?
Letter of Recommendation Instructions: IMPORTANT, PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

* Be sure to enter the following information for each of your recommenders: Name, address, e-mail address, phone number, institution or employer and title.
* It is extremely important to enter your recommender’s e-mail address correctly so they receive the automated e-mail instructing them how to proceed with their recommendation through the online process.
* Mark the waiver statement for each recommender you enter. If you do not check the waiver statement, many recommenders will not complete the recommendation process for you.
* If recommenders experience technical difficulties, they should contact our online application vendor by clicking on the link given in the e-mail they received about the online recommendation process or by clicking on the Help Link at the top right of the first page in their Letters of Recommendation account page.
* After your recommender submits the online recommendation, the recommendation will become part of your application. Applicants are welcome to submit additional letters of recommendation, and any letter of recommendation included with the application will remain with the applicant’s file for review.

If your program of study is regular full-time, regular part-time, or Satellite regular program, the recommended three contacts should comprise of the following:

1. One recommendation from an academic source.
2. One recommendation from an employer.
3. One recommendation from another professional source or community associate.

If your program of study is Advanced Standing or Satellite Advanced Standing, applicants will submit four contacts and one additional item:

1. One recommendation from the Department Chair of your undergraduate social work program.
2. One recommendation from the field placement supervisor.
3. One recommendation from an academic source.
4. One recommendation from either an employer or professional or community associate.
5. Advanced Standing applicants submit their mid-term and final field evaluations from their undergraduate field education experience.

Waiver of Right of Access

You will be asked to mark the waiver statement for each recommender you enter into the online application. If you do not check the waiver statement, many recommenders will not complete the Waiver - you must choose whether or not to waive your right to review the recommendation. Your choice will be transmitted to the recommender in the instructional email your recommender will receive. Once you have submitted your application, you cannot change the waiver decision.

If you or your respondent have technical difficulty with the online letter of recommendation system, please contact CollegeNet directly at the following email address: help@applyweb.com. It may be necessary to provide CollegeNet with your user id and/or the name of the applicant or respondent.

You may track the status of the online recommendations submitted through your Gullnet account after your application is submitted to Salisbury University.

Official Transcripts

Send all transcripts to:
Salisbury University
Office of Graduate Studies and Research
1101 Camden Avenue,
Salisbury, MD 21801
or submit electronically