THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

The University of Sydney School of Education and Social Work

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (QUALIFYING) 2027 SUPPLEMENTARY FORM

1. PERSONAL DETAILS	
Student ID or IPU Number	
Family Name	
Given Name/s	
Email	

2. DESIRED STUDY LOAD

☐ Full-time study ☐ Part-time study

3. WORK EXPERIENCE, PRIOR LEARNING AND OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Please provide evidence of at least the equivalent of **two (2) years full-time work** experience in the human and community services over the **past seven (7) years**. If you are unsure whether your employment would be classified as 'human and community services', please include for consideration and assessment. You may wish to include both paid and unpaid work experience, but do not include irrelevant employment. Please provide a statement of employment or of voluntary service from the employer/organisation.

Employer/organisation	Occupation/duties	Dates of service and if full-time, part-time or casual

4. PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must complete 1000 hours of work based training during the MSW(Q). This involves two placements over 72 days each. Placements are allocated by the Field Education Team at the University of Sydney, to ensure that students undertake new learning as per the requirements of the AASW.

Note regarding Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) through work experience:

In the online application, most students will have the capacity to apply for RPL. However, as MSW(Q) students have to submit a portfolio as part of the RPL process (in accordance to AASW guidelines), you can apply for RPL only **after** you have been accepted into the program. Students who apply for RPL may be given full or partial credit for Practice Learning 1 (the first placement, as described above). This will be discussed in greater detail during the welcome session the week before semester starts.

5. ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

If you are a graduate from a university or institution for which English is not the teaching medium, or if you completed the majority of your undergraduate study in a country where English is not the first language you must submit results from an English language proficiency test, conducted within the last two years, such as IELTS or TOEFL, with your application.

The IELTS requirement for English proficiency is 7.5 or above overall, including a minimum of 7 for **all bands.**

For further information on English requirements for other proficiency tests please go to:

https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/master-of-social-work-qualifying.html

https://www.sydney.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/international-students/english-language-requirements.html

6. REFEREE REPORT/S

In order to assess your suitability for the Master of Social Work (Qualifying) program, we require Referee Reports in the format provided on the Admissions website (https://sydney.edu.au/courses/courses/pc/master-of-social-work-qualifying.html). Domestic applicants must provide at least one (1) Referee Report, International applicants must provide at least two (2) Referee Reports. Please indicate whom you have requested Referee Reports from below.

Name	Organisation	Contact details (phone or email)
1.		
2.		
3.		

Referee reports are an essential requirement of your application, and your application will not be considered if you do not submit at least one referee report. Please note that some referees may be contacted to verify the information you've submitted.

7. INTERVIEW

Some applicants may be interviewed during **mid November,** or **mid January 2027**. Details of the interview will be sent to relevant applicants during this time. International students may arrange for this interview to be undertaken using information technology (such as Zoom).

8. PERSONAL STATEMENT

All applicants for the Master of Social Work (Qualifying) program are required to submit a statement, not exceeding 500 words. As the number of applications from suitable applicants exceeds the quota of places available, we ask that you think carefully about your responses, as they are crucial in the selection process.

- Why you feel you are suitable for the program?
- How do you demonstrate the required pre-requisite knowledge for the program, specifically:
    - An understanding of society and how it has developed and is organised. This includes an understanding of the major insights provided by sociology, anthropology, social theory, history, economics and political science, and an awareness of how these contribute to the understanding of social inequalities. In addition, candidates are expected to have an understanding of the implications and effects of the globalisation of society.
    - Knowledge of the individual, including human behaviour and development, personality development, life-cycle stages, family and social networks, physical health and ill-health, mental health and ill-health, disability, vulnerability and resilience. Candidates are expected to have an understanding of the social construction of these concepts.

If you do not supply a personal statement your application will be rejected.

Please write your response to the Personal Statement questions in the space provided below, OR you may upload a separate document alongside this supplementary form.

9. DECLARATION

I declare that the information supplied in this supplementary form is correct and complete. I understand that **(please tick):**

- ☐ If a complete application (including referee report/s) is not submitted by **15 December 2026 for domestic applications and 1 December 2026 for international applications,** my application may not be considered.
- ☐ I am giving full consent for the University and its employees to independently verify the details listed in my MSW(Q) application, by contacting my referees and/or previous employers.
- ☐ Applicants will be informed by email about the status of their offer, and I understand that I need to accept the offer through Sydney Student before I can proceed with my candidature.
- ☐ The University reserves the right to vary any decision it may have made on the basis of incorrect or incomplete information that I have provided, or neglected to provide as required.
- ☐ The offer of a place in the Master of Social Work (Qualifying) is based on the University's prerequisite requirements and selection procedures for the course, as well as the inherent requirements.
- ☐ The University has the right to withdraw the offer of a place or cancel my enrolment if I do not provide proof of the conferral of the undergraduate degree upon which I am relying for admission into the Master of Social Work (Qualifying) degree, or if I do not enrol on the date specified by the University in its offer of a place in the course.
- ☐ I may be required by the university to undertake an English Proficiency test or provide evidence of English proficiency at its discretion, and that if I refuse to supply this evidence my application will be rejected.
- ☐ I understand that I must align with public health orders in order to progress in the degree, and adhere to NSW Health advice.

Signature: …… Date: ……

Please upload the completed form along with your online application submission. For more information, please download the 2027 Supporting Docs Checklist. If you need assistance in the application process, please contact the office below:

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