

Related Degree Application Procedures for LSW License

If you believe that you meet the requirements of the Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-19-01, then you have the right to apply for the license. Once your application for licensure is received, the Board will review your application, transcripts and any supporting documentation you provide to demonstrate that your coursework meets the educational requirements contained in this rule. If the Board determines that you do not meet the requirements, then you will be issued a "Letter of Intent to Deny". This letter will explain your right to due process to appeal the decision of the Board.

The following is the Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-19-01 which pertains to related degrees:

- (2) Have at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited educational institution in a program closely related to social work on or before October 10, 1992.
- (a) "A program closely related to social work" means a program that shows evidence of coursework totaling twenty semester hours, or thirty quarter hours, in three areas from paragraphs (i) through (iv) below **and field work required in paragraph (v):**
- (i) Human development and behavior: The social psychological, and physiological growth of an individual, and effects on the growth of a personality in a social environment;
 - (ii) Methods of social intervention: Casework, group work, community organization and practice, social research and administration;
 - (iii) Social welfare and policy: The history of social welfare and policy;
 - (iv) Social work theory: The study of the principles which demonstrate various types of socio-psychological interventions;
 - (v) Field work: Not less than four hundred hours of supervised practicum and/or field experience, with a primary focus on social intervention, structured or regulated by a department or program in the behavioral or social sciences.
- (b) An applicant with a degree from a program closely related to social work shall demonstrate that the applicant's coursework meets the educational requirements contained in this rule. If a course title does not clearly indicate the content area of coursework named in this rule, the applicant shall provide additional evidence or information about the applicant's coursework to the board.
- (i) The committee will not accept introductory or survey courses in other disciplines towards meeting the related degree coursework requirements.

If you determine that you meet the requirements for licensure with a related degree, complete the [Licensed Social Worker Related Degree Worksheet](#) and apply for licensure.

LSW Licensure

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Click on-**Forms**

Click on- **Social Worker Forms**

Click on- [LSW Application Instructions \(print and retain\)](#)

Click on: [LSW/LISW Examination Pre-Approval Request](#)

Fax or mail the request for exam pre-approval to the Board with a copy of your **unofficial transcript.**

You will also have to complete an **application for LSW licensure and pay the \$60 fee (The \$60 dollar application fee is non-refundable)**

Both **your application and request for pre-approval form need to be in the Board's office before you will** receive your **pre-approval letter** that will allow you to take the **Bachelors Exam** with the www.ASWB.org

