

**PRACTICUM EDUCATION CALENDAR
2025-2026**

AUGUST 25	BSW JUNIOR ORIENTATION
AUGUST 25	PRACTICUM READINESS LAB BEGINS FOR ALL STUDENTS
SEPTEMBER 2	PRACTICUMS BEGIN
OCTOBER 10	LEARNING AGREEMENT DUE
NOVEMBER 26- NOVEMBER 30	THANKSGIVING RECESS NO PRACTICUM UNIVERSITY CLOSED*
DECEMBER 5	FALL PRACTICUM EVALUATIONS DUE
DECEMBER 21	LAST DAY OF PRACTICUM FOR THE FALL SEMESTER
DECEMBER 22- JANUARY 2	NO PRACTICUM UNIVERSITY CLOSED*
JANUARY 5	PRACTICUM RESUMES 1ST DAY OF PRACTICUM FOR THE SPRING SEMESTER
SPRING 2026	STUDENTS BEGIN PLANNING AND/OR DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL ACTION PROJECT**
JANUARY 19	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY NO PRACTICUM UNIVERSITY CLOSED*
MARCH 16-22	SPRING BREAK NO PRACTICUM
MAY 1	SPRING EVALUATIONS DUE
MAY 17	PRACTICUMS END
JUNE 19	JUNETEENTH NO PRACTICUM UNIVERSITY CLOSED*
JUNE 26	LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS IN SCHOOL-BASED PRACTICUMS***

ALL STUDENTS SHOULD PLAN FOR IN PERSON PLACEMENTS, AND MUST BE AVAILABLE DURING WEEKDAY/DAYTIME HOURS FOR PRACTICUM.

The minimum required hours for the 2025-2026 academic year are as follows:

MSW students

15 hours/week

- 225 hours/semester in site-based placement
- 475 hours/total for academic year: 450 in site-based placement; 25 hours for professional development and social action.

BSW Generalist (Senior)

11 hours/week

- 163 hours/semester in site-based placement
- 350 hours/total for the academic year: 325 in site-based placement; 25 hours for professional development and social action.

BSW Juniors

7.5 hours/week

- 113 hours/semester
- 250 hours/total for academic year: 225 in site-based placement; 25 hours for professional development and social action.

Professional Development is a required component of all practicum instruction courses.

- All students must participate in 25 professional development hours each academic year.
- 12 Professional Development Hours will be earned through participation in the School's annual social justice initiative.
- 13 hours will be earned through participation in Practicum Education Department Professional Development Workshops.

All students will attend the **Practicum Readiness Labs** beginning on August 25th, aside from the BSW Juniors who will attend orientation. Students will earn practicum hours for participation. The Practicum Readiness Lab will be a series of synchronous online workshops. For students who are unable to attend all or part of the synchronous sessions, online asynchronous practicum readiness training will be made available via Sonia.

All students will continue in their practicums until the end of practicum instruction courses on May 15th (or at the conclusion of the academic program year for students in school settings).

Some agencies may start internships later than the start date noted on the calendar.

The calendar is designed to ensure that all students have full and progressive practicum learning experiences, and incorporates adequate time to allow for variances in start dates as well as agency closures due to holidays or inclement weather.

*When the University is closed, students **MAY NOT** attend practicum. Students may make up practicum hours, as needed, during holidays such as "spring break", when the University remains open.

***Students placed in school-based settings, including K-12 and college or university settings, as well as community-based programs that operate in alignment with the school calendar, must remain in placement until the end of the program or academic year in their assigned setting. Students in these settings should plan to remain in practicum through the end of June.