

# SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

**Part-time  
Undergraduate  
Programme**



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Bachelor of  
Social Work

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## DREAM, DARE, DO.

SUSS is a powerhouse of change, unleashing the potential within individuals and propelling them to be impactful change-makers.

Fueled by a deep sense of purpose, their transformations transcend personal growth, enriching not only their lives but also the lives of those around them.

Their unwavering commitment empowers them to conquer challenges, embodying the unstoppable '**Dream, Dare, Do**' spirit of SUSS.

**United in action, we dream big, dare greatly, and do what it takes to leave an indelible mark on our learners, industry, and community.**



Welcome to the School of Social Work and Social Development (SWSD). We are a vibrant community dedicated to advancing the mission of social betterment, service to the community, and transformative change for our society. In SWSD, we offer holistic and rigorous academic programmes that are supported by strong partnerships in field practice. Here, we foster a culture of empathy, social responsibility, critical thinking and advocacy so that our graduands are well prepared to address the complex issues the world is facing today. Students can look forward to exciting careers in the field of social work and related care-economy professions. SWSD aims to become the Centre of Excellence and Thought Leadership in social development in Singapore."

Associate Professor  
**VINCENT NG**  
Dean  
School of Social Work  
and Social Development



Our School combines rigorous academic training with real world applications where your passion and conviction to build a better future for humanity can come true!

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## Good Reasons to Study at Singapore University of Social Sciences



ONE OF THE SIX  
AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITIES  
IN SINGAPORE



HIGH ACADEMIC  
STANDARDS



LIFELONG EDUCATIONAL  
OPPORTUNITIES



FLEXIBLE AND  
SELF-PACED LEARNING



WELL-DESIGNED ONLINE  
LEARNING RESOURCES



GOVERNMENT TUITION  
GRANT OR SUBSIDY FOR  
ELIGIBLE STUDENTS



EXPERIENCED FACULTY  
MEMBERS AND  
INDUSTRY EXPERTS



FOCUS ON REAL-  
WORLD LEARNING



INDUSTRY-RELEVANT  
CURRICULA



PRACTICE-ORIENTED  
APPROACH

# BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK



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## Programme Overview

Social work is a meaningful, dynamic and growing profession in Singapore. It is a career for individuals who are committed to advancing social equity, engaging meaningfully with diverse communities, and building a more inclusive society. As a social worker, you will empower individuals, families and communities, champion for transformative change and inclusivity, tackle real-world problems with compassion and impact through systems thinking and policy engagement.

Designed with flexibility in mind, it is tailored for adult learners and career switchers. Students will gain essential knowledge and skills to support individuals, families, and communities from all walks of life. It offers a rigorous and comprehensive curriculum that integrates knowledge with practical application, field education, interpersonal and problem-solving skills. It lays the foundation to create broader social impact through policy development, planning, and evaluation.

Graduates of this programme will be well-positioned to pursue enriching careers in family service centers, children and youth agencies, government ministries, healthcare institutions, prisons and rehabilitative agencies and other community development or social service agencies.



## Career Prospects



## Whom is this for?

This programme is designed for those who are interested in pursuing a career as a professional social worker in various social services settings. It is crafted to develop your knowledge and skills as positive change agents in society and in the lives of individuals, families and communities you serve.



## Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students must complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 65 cu of Social Work compulsory courses, 25 cu of Social Work electives and 20 cu of Free Electives.

This programme also offers an honours option. To graduate with an **honours degree**, students must satisfy all university requirements and complete an additional 40 cu of courses, bringing the total to **170 cu**. Students who achieve a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 3.5 and above upon completion of their basic degree may be invited to enrol in the honours programme, which will be offered only if the requisite number of students is met. Graduating students who meet the eligibility criteria for an honours classification will be awarded an honours degree based on aggregate academic performance measured by the CGPA assessed throughout their degree programme.



## Curriculum Highlights

- Development of Social Work and Social Services in Singapore
- Human Growth and Lifespan Development
- Children and their Issues
- Families and their Issues
- Social Work in Healthcare
- Eldercare
- Social Policy and Planning
- Poverty and Social Inequality

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## ADMISSION CRITERIA

1. Singapore Citizens, Singapore Permanent Residents or residents in Singapore
2. • GCE 'A' Level with two passes (prior to 2006) or two H2 passes (from 2006), or
  - Local Polytechnic Diploma, or
  - International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, or
  - NUS High School Diploma, or equivalent<sup>1</sup>
3. Two years of full-time work experience, or currently employed on a full-time basis<sup>2</sup>
4. At least 21 years old

<sup>1</sup> Acceptable qualifications: Diploma from LASALLE College of the Arts; Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA); National Institute of Education; and ITE Work-Study Diploma. Other Diploma qualifications (e.g., Advanced Diploma, Specialist Diploma, Conversion Diploma) plus an acceptable SAT or ACT (with Writing) score may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis.

<sup>2</sup> Applicants who have fully completed National Service will be deemed to have fulfilled the work experience criterion.

Some programmes may have additional requirements. Please refer to the individual programme page on the SUSS website for details.

Shortlisted applicants may be required to undergo one or more interviews and/or take written admission or other evaluation tests as may be prescribed by SUSS from time to time.

All applications are considered individually on merit, and the offer of admission is dependent on the number of places available in individual programmes. Admission is solely at the discretion of SUSS and the decision is final and binding. SUSS reserves the right to refuse admission and is not obliged to offer an explanation for the non-admission of unsuccessful candidates.

# TUITION FEES



Find out more

The amount of course fees you pay in each semester depends on the number of courses you take in that semester. The course fees cover all study materials, classes, tutor supervision, assignments and examinations. They do not include fees for textbooks and other additional items specified by SUSS from time to time.

# SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID



Find out more

SUSS offers scholarships to outstanding students pursuing their undergraduate studies with the University in recognition of their excellent academic achievements, leadership qualities, special talents and contributions.

There are also various types of financial aid available to students who need financial assistance during the course of their study.

Please visit [suss.edu.sg](http://suss.edu.sg) for more details on the admission criteria, tuition fees and other information.

# EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



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