

Carlow University
Department of Social Work

Social Work Program Admission Application

I. Name _____ Date _____

Home Address _____ Phone _____

Campus Address _____ Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Email Address _____

Full-time _____ Part-time _____ Sex _____ Date of Birth _____

Total Credits Completed: Social Work _____ Carlow _____

Number of Social Work Courses Completed _____

Currently Enrolled Social Work Courses _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average _____
(Attach a copy of your transcript.)

II. Admission Essay: Please address the following statements in 3-4 double-spaced typed pages. Your structured responses will assist the Program Admission Committee members who will interview you for admission to the Social Work Program. Cite specific examples to support positions you address.

1. Discuss your understanding of the social work profession.
2. Describe your personal qualities that match those of the social work profession.
3. List and describe people and/or events that influenced your interest in the social work profession.
4. Assess your oral and written communication skills and identify areas that need improvement.
5. Describe your leadership skills and experiences and their future application.
6. Describe your strengths and limitations. Identify those that might affect your performance during your academic studies or professional practice (i.e., flexibility, role adaptation, working with diverse populations/communities).
7. State at least three professional career objectives and goals.

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III. List all volunteer and paid human service experiences on a separate sheet. Indicate the number of supervised hours and your activities at each site. Written verification of these experiences is required. Normally, students should have completed at least 100 hours.

IV. Submit two letters of reference from individuals who can identify your strengths, limitations, specific skills, and suitability for social work. Contact with these individuals should have taken place within the last five years. No letters will be accepted from Carlow Social Work faculty or a relative and only one letter may be from a Carlow faculty member outside the Department. Letters written on official letterhead may be sent via email or in a sealed envelope to Dr. Emma Lucas-Darby.

V. Attach a copy of your resume.

Please return to the Department of Social Work by **October 15 for the fall or April 15 for the spring.**

If you have questions, please contact Dr. Lucas-Darby at 412-578-6307 or lucaset@carlow.edu.

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