Part-Time Vancouver Hybrid MSW Program Requirements

1. Successful completion of a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university.

2. A cumulative grade-point average of no less than 3.0 in the last 90 graded quarter credits or 60 graded semester credits. Note: Upon recommendation of the Admissions Chair, the Vice Provost of Graduate Education may admit a limited number of otherwise qualified students with GPAs under 3.0, based upon considerations which can include GRE or other appropriate test scores, performance in relevant graduate courses and faculty evaluations.

3. Completion of 3 credit hours of a statistics course covering hypothesis testing and descriptive and inferential statistics with a 2.5 or comparable letter grade (B-). If you have completed a statistics course, you must enter information about the course. If you have not completed a statistic course, then describe your plan for completing this requirement. Your plan must allow you to complete the statistics requirement prior to registering for MSW classes in the first quarter of the program (summer 2015). Statistics is not an admissions requirement nor is it factored in the admission decision. The School of Social Work offers an online statistics class (SOWK 469) every spring quarter. If you have any questions about statistics or to confirm a course you have taken is approved, please contact Diane Somerday at dsomerday@ewu.edu.

Admission Timelines

The Part-Time Vancouver Hybrid MSW program will begin summer 2015. The School encourages you to apply for admission as early as possible, before the deadline.

Application and materials deadline: Committee decision deadline:
February 02, 2015 March 23, 2015

All application materials and transcripts need to be received by the application deadline. During some academic years, the school may decide, based on the availability of openings in a class cohort, to extend the application deadline. Check ewu.edu/msw to inquire about the availability of this option.

Application Procedures

Admission to the MSW Program is a dual process: You must be recommended by the School of Social Work faculty and admitted to EWU Graduate Program.

To EWU Graduate Programs

1. Submit an online Graduate School application and a $50.00 non-refundable application fee at (www.ewu.edu/Grad/Application-Procedures.xml). Included are questions to be responded to in a question-answer format. Download your resume and provide email addresses for three professional references. Please inform your references to watch their email for the reference request and direct them to submit the form ASAP. No supplemental reference materials should be mailed to the School of Social Work admissions office. The individual completing the form may also submit a letter to provide additional comments. References should be used to support your social service background or academic preparedness. Family members, intimate partners, personal friends and counselors are not appropriate references and will not be accepted.

2. Request one official copy of transcripts from every college or university you have attended. Official transcripts bear the seal of the university or college and are in an unopened university or
college envelope. This is not required if you are and or will be a graduate of EWU. Contact gradprogram@ewu.edu (not the School of Social Work) to inquire about your official transcripts.

Mail official transcripts to Graduate Programs, Eastern Washington University, 206 Showalter, Cheney, WA 99004-2441.

It is your responsibility to make sure all application materials have been received by the application deadline. Contact msw@ewu.edu if you have any questions.

**Background Check**

Admitted students are required to complete a background check. If you have ever been convicted of a felony, particularly a crime against children or other persons or relating to financial exploitation, please include in your personal statement a description of the circumstances of the conviction. Describe what led to the court action, year of conviction, and how you dealt with the conviction in terms of planning for a professional career in human services. While experiences will not necessarily prevent admission to the School, they may restrict the availability of potential practicum placements.

**Transfer Students**

Students transferring from another CSWE accredited MSW program or who have completed some social work coursework must contact Dr. Blake Beecher at bbeecher@ewu.edu, for a formal evaluation of previous coursework.

**Program Costs**

Tuition for the program is mandated by the Board of Trustees of Eastern Washington University. Go to http://access.ewu.edu/student-financial-services/cost-and-fees/special-program-tuition-rates for more information.

**Financial Aid and Scholarships**

Go to http://www.ewu.edu/Admissions/Financial-Aid/FA_Apply.xml for information on how to apply for financial aid and to fill out a "Free Application for Federal Student Aid" (FAFSA).

Apply for financial aid ASAP after January 1, 2015. Students need to fill out a FAFSA for the academic year 2014-2015 (for the first quarter of required courses starting summer quarter 2015) and 2015-2016 for the following academic year. The Financial Aid office address is Eastern Washington University, 102 Sutton Hall, Cheney, WA 99004-2441. The telephone number is (509) 359-2314.

Students are notified as scholarships become available through the School of Social Work. Scholarships are very limited to part-time students.

The Alliance for Child Welfare Excellence (CWTAP) is a stipend program for qualified students interested in the field of child welfare. Amount of stipend varies. Students qualify to apply after they have been admitted. For more information go to http://www.ewu.edu/csbssw/programs/social-work/cwtap.