Advanced Standing MSW
Online Option

Portland State University (PSU) offers an online Advanced Standing MSW program which has a choice of two advanced practice concentrations, the first is an advanced macro practice concentration titled Practice and Leadership with Communities and Organizations* and the second is an advanced health concentration titled Health Across the Lifespan.** PSU’s online MSW is designed to prepare students for careers in community leadership, advocacy, policy practice, and human services administration (or) preparation for a career in healthcare with adults, older adults, youth and families. Please review this video and frequently asked questions, to learn more about the offered curriculum.

Course content for PSU’s online Advanced Standing MSW program is identical to that of their on-campus program. PSU uses an online course delivery platform called Desire to Learn (D2L) to deliver its 11-week long classes. Each advanced practice online course typically requires about 6-8 hours of work per week; electives require 8+ hours per week for 8-week courses and 14 hours per week for 4 week intensive courses. Students engage in activities that are due throughout the week and are also required to participate in 1-2 synchronous sessions with fellow students and course faculty each term.

Students are required to complete one 500 hour internship. To determine field placement sites, students and faculty collaborate to find an optimal agency and supervisor. Students are expected to spend 16 hours each week at their agency in order to fulfill the number of required hours.

Portland State University’s online MSW program is fully accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE). PSU is also regionally accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

As an advanced standing Online student, you will also have the option of taking some electives at any of our other locations (Central Oregon, Eugene, Portland, Southern Oregon, Salem)
### MSW Online Option Advanced Standing Course Map
(46 Credit Hours)

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<td>SW 593 Practice and Leadership with Communities and Organizations I (3 credits) OR SW 517 Health Across the Lifespan I (3 credits)</td>
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*Students in the PLCO concentration are required to take SW 559 Comm & Org Research OR SW 553 Racial Disparities
**Students in the HAL concentration are required to take SW 555 SW Persp. Mental Health Disorders and are encouraged to take it in the first summer term.
***Students who graduated from Portland State University’s BSW program will replace SW 539 with an elective