Chamberlain University’s Master of Social Work Program has achieved Candidacy for Accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education’s Commission on Accreditation.

Candidacy for a master’s social work program by the Council on Social Work Education’s Commission on Accreditation indicates that it has made progress toward meeting criteria for the assessment of program quality evaluated through a peer review process. A program that has attained Candidacy has demonstrated a commitment to meeting the compliance standards set by the Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards, but has not yet demonstrated full compliance.

Students who enter programs that attain Candidacy in or before the academic year in which they begin their program of study will be retroactively recognized as having graduated from a CSWE-accredited program once the program attains Initial Accreditation. Candidacy is typically a three-year process and attaining Candidacy does not guarantee that a program will eventually attain Initial Accreditation. Candidacy applies to all program sites and program delivery methods of an accredited program. Accreditation provides reasonable assurance about the quality of the program and the competence of students graduating from the program.

For more information about social work accreditation, you may contact Accreditation.

Individuals who wish to obtain occupational licensure for social workers generally must have graduated from a program either in candidacy status, or accredited by across the United States. In many states occupational licensure is required to obtain employment as a social worker.

Chamberlain University does not require a fingerprint check for admission into the Master of Social Work program. I understand that a fingerprint check may be required for professional licensure in the state where I seek to practice. Completion of the background check for admission to Chamberlain University does not guarantee passage of fingerprint or background checks by state licensing bodies.

We highly recommend that you contact the social work licensing board in the state that you plan to practice in and thoroughly understand the licensure requirements prior to enrolling in Chamberlain’s MSW program. The Association of Social Work Boards maintains contact information for social work boards which can be found at http://aswbsocialworkregulations.org/jurisdictionLevelsReportBuilder.jsp.

I plan to practice social work in the following state/territory: ________________________________

If the state you intend to practice does not appear in the drop down menu, please contact an admissions representative for more information.

Acknowledgment

• By signing this form I acknowledge that the Chamberlain University Master in Social Work program is not yet accredited by CSWE, and that I understand the implications of that status on my ability to practice social work.
• Further I understand that if I change the state in which I plan to practice social work I will notify Chamberlain immediately.
• I understand that if Chamberlain’s MSW program does not meet the educational pre-requisites to obtain a required occupational license in the new state I intend to practice, I will lose access to Title IV funding.
• I understand that this program is not eligible for military tuition assistance or veterans educational benefits at this time.

First name ________________________________ Last Name ________________________________

Signature __________________________________ Date ________________________________