

Social Work

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Why study social work at Adelphi?

You'll be joining one of the highest-ranked programs in the country, designed to prepare you for a rewarding career in social work. You will:

1. **Receive personal attention:** You'll learn in small classes taught by our world-class faculty, who will guide you academically and professionally.
2. **Gain a deep understanding of social issues** through our innovative curriculum, emphasizing hands-on learning in real-world community settings.
3. **Be career-ready by the time you graduate:** After two years of internships, you'll be focused on success.

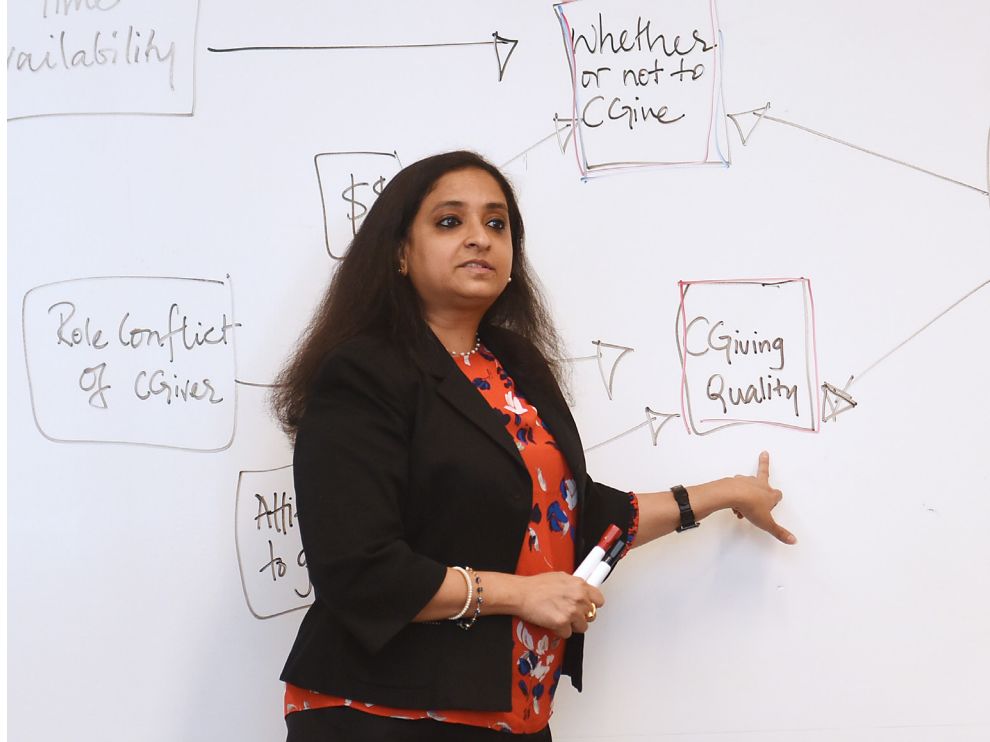


All the support from faculty and staff really helped me grow academically and become a better social worker in the field. It paved the way for me to successfully transition to the MSW program here."

Joanna Marullo '19, Bachelor of Social Work

A world-class program with expert faculty

Why is Adelphi's undergraduate program in social work so highly ranked by College Factual and U.S. News & World Report and a Yellow Ribbon school? In great part, because of our outstanding faculty. Members of our social work faculty are internationally known scholars and leaders of local efforts to better serve the people in our community. You'll learn from them, and you'll work with them as you gain insights and experience in the field.



Our social work faculty includes:



A Fulbright Scholar and expert in global social work education who has taught and worked with programs in Australia, China and Southeast Asia, India and Bangladesh, the Middle East, Africa, and Europe.



A professor and **expert in geriatric health issues** whose work led to the creation of a national program to train social workers to work effectively with patients suffering from dementia.



A Fulbright-Nehru Fellow and expert in issues surrounding gender-based violence whose work focuses on female sex workers in India, substance-using populations in the United States, and South Asian immigrant women in New York City.



An advocate for human rights and social justice who works with businesses and nonprofits to help them understand organizational culture and improve employee relations.



The classroom is a learning community where, collectively, we facilitate a space where course content is integrated with life lessons so that everyone gains a better understanding of each other and the world we live in. Listening to my students' insights inspires me to become a better teacher and learner."

Todd Vanidestine '15, PhD, assistant professor, School of Social Work

Courses to enrich your understanding and sharpen your skills

As a student in our social work program, you'll study society from a variety of perspectives. You'll take psychology and sociology courses that will enhance your understanding of human behavior and the way society is organized. You'll take history and anthropology courses that will help you see life today in a new light. Of course, you'll also get a complete grounding in the theory and practice of social work. And you'll complement your coursework with internships and fieldwork that will give you invaluable real-world experience.

Here are just some of the courses you'll take when you major in social work:

- **Introduction to Social Services for Children:** Gain insights into the practice of working with children and on their behalf, with an emphasis on their developmental needs, along with a look at selected policy issues.
- **The Science of Social Issues:** Explore basic concepts in biology and physiology and their impact on social issues like substance abuse, mental illness, human sexuality and aging.
- **Social Work and Social Change:** Learn about social systems and policies in the United States and around the world—and how they empower or disenfranchise citizens.



Prior to Adelphi, I was a regular volunteer, but I didn't think about becoming a world changer. My mentors helped me realize that I was not a dot in a sea of uncontrollable circumstances—that I can create what I need to create for myself and others. I learned that loving something means challenging it."

Florie St. Aime '11, MSW '13, has become an activist for change. She helped train mental health professionals in Haiti through Global Trauma Research Inc. (GTR), and is co-facilitator for Radical Social Workers Clinical Workgroup (RSWG-CG).

Internships are a major part of a social work education at Adelphi

Studying social work at Adelphi is a hands-on experience. You'll complete 300 hours of fieldwork during your junior year and 400 hours during your senior year. **Adelphi students have had internships at some of the top human services organizations in the New York area, including:**

- Alice Brown Early Learning Center
- Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts of USA
- New York State Education Department
- Pride for Youth
- SCO Family of Services
- The INN (Interfaith Nutrition Network)
- The Safe Center LI, Inc.
- WellLife Network
- Women In Need, Inc. (Win)





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A world of career options

Adelphi graduates are working in positions in organizations across the New York area, including:

- Long Island Alzheimer's & Dementia Center
- Long Island Coalition for the Homeless
- Nassau BOCES
- New York City Department of Probation
- New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision
- Northport VA Medical Center
- North Shore Child & Family Guidance Center
- Patchogue-Medford Youth & Community Services, Inc.
- Queens Community House
- Sagamore Children's Psychiatric Center
- The Safe Center LI, Inc.
- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- YAI: Seeing beyond disability
- Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.



What can you do with a degree in social work?

You'll provide clinical services, such as therapy or counseling, to help people overcome challenges. You can be a school social worker, child social worker, medical social worker or take one of many other career paths to help others.

100%

of social work graduates are employed or continuing their education within six months of graduation

Source: Adelphi University Career Outcomes Survey: Class of 2018

Adelphi University, New York, is dedicated to transforming students' lives through small classes with world-class faculty, hands-on learning and innovative ways to support academic and career success. We offer students more than 60 undergraduate programs, more than 65 master's degree and doctoral programs, and more than 35 certificate programs, with particular strength in our Core Four—Arts and Humanities, STEM and Social Sciences, the Business and Education Professions, and Health and Wellness. With record enrollments that have grown more than 10 percent in three years, an increasingly diverse student body and faculty, and a personalized approach to learning, Adelphi serves more than 7,900 students from 43 states and 64 countries at our beautiful main campus in Garden City, New York—just 23 miles from New York City's cultural and internship opportunities.

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