# 2022-23 SGS Calendar

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# UTSC, Mental Health Studies (Specialist), Honours Bachelor of Science / Master of Social Work

## UTSC MHS (Spec) HBSc / MSW: Introduction

## Overview

The **Combined Degree Program (CDP): UTSC, Honours Bachelor of Science, Specialist in Mental Health Studies / Master of Social Work** (MSW) provides a rich intellectual pathway for exceptional undergraduate students pursuing a career in social work. The CDP gives students access to social work research before they complete their undergraduate degree.

Students have an opportunity to become equipped for evidence-informed social work practice, through a research course in Year 4, with a Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work co-supervisor.

The CDP allows well-qualified students in this specialist undergraduate program to apply during Year 3 and be considered for admission into the MSW two-year full-time program.

For a general description of CDPs, see General Regulations section 1.4.3.

## Contact

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Master of Social Work Program
Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work
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Email: admissions.fsw@utoronto.ca

## UTSC MHS (Spec) HBSc / MSW: Application Process

* Applicants must apply to the HBSc program, the MSW program, and the CDP.
* Qualified students in Year 3 of their HBSc program apply to the MSW program; those accepted will receive a conditional offer to start the MSW program upon completion of their HBSc program requirements.

## UTSC MHS (Spec) HBSc / MSW: Requirements

### Minimum Admission Requirements

* Applicants must meet the admission requirements of the HBSc program, the School of Graduate Studies, and the MSW program.
* Applicants to the HBSc program must:
* be enrolled full-time and in good standing;
* have a B+ average (cumulative grade point average [CGPA] of 3.3) or higher in Year 2;
* carry a full course load of 5.0 full-course equivalents (FCEs) each year (i.e., complete a minimum of 5.0 FCEs over the three academic sessions [Fall, Winter, Summer]).
* Applicants to the MSW program must:
* maintain a B+ average (CGPA of 3.3) or higher in Year 3 and Year 4 of their HBSc program;
* complete the requirements of their HBSc program;
* be conferred with the HBSc degree.

### Academic Path to Completion

Every CDP involves a specific combination of approved degree programs. The CDP requirements build on those of the two separate degree programs. Each CDP has a unique pattern of academic activity year by year.

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| Year | Progression | Specific Requirements |
| 1 to 4 | * HBSc degree requirements.
 | * Students must complete all HBSc program requirements and degree requirements.
* Students are expected to carry a full course load of **5.0 full-course equivalents (FCEs)** over the three academic sessions (Fall, Winter, Summer) of each year.
* In Year 3, qualified students may apply to the MSW program and the CDP and may be offered conditional admission.
* In Year 4, students who receive a conditional offer of admission to the CDP must complete 1.5 FCEs as follows:
* UTSC D-level research course PSYD98Y3 Thesis in Psychology under the supervision of a UTSC Psychology faculty member in consultation with a Social Work faculty member (1.0 FCE).
* UTSC D-level course PSYD37H3 The Social Context of Mental Health and Illness (0.5 FCE).
* By the end of Year 4, fulfil both the undergraduate program requirements and the undergraduate degree requirements.
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| 5 | * MSW Year 1 program requirements.
* Students must select a specialization by the end of Year 1 of the MSW program.
 | * Conditions of admission are removed.
* Students must complete **4.0 FCEs** as follows: SWK4102H, SWK4103H, SWK4105H, SWK4107H, SWK4510H, SWK4602H, SWK4605H, SWK4654H.
* Student must complete the Year 1 practicum (SWK4701H+).
* By the end of Year 1 of the MSW program, students must select one of the following fields of specializations: Children and Their Families; Gerontology; Health and Mental Health; Social Justice and Diversity; Social Service Administration.
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| 6 | * MSW Year 2 program requirements.
 | * In Year 2 of the MSW program, all students complete **1.0 FCE** in electives, the Year 2 practicum (SWK4702Y), and additional courses in their chosen field of specialization:
* Children and Their Families: SWK4514H, SWK4608H, SWK4620H, SWK4625H.
* Gerontology: AGE2000H, SWK4513H, SWK4612Y, SWK4618H.
* Health and Mental Health: SWK4412H, SWK4511H, and either: SWK4622H and SWK4604H, or SWK4622H and SWK4632H, or SWK4604H and SWK4631H.
* Social Justice and Diversity: SWK4304H, SWK4306H, SWK4512H, SWK4606H.
* Social Service Administration: SWK4425H, SWK4426H, SWK4427H, SWK4515H.
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+ Extended course. For academic reasons, coursework is extended into session following academic session in which course is offered.