DO YOU WANT TO EARN A BACHELOR’S DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK BUT CAN’T TRAVEL EVERY DAY TO BEMIDJI?

Coming fall 2018 to Bemidji State University

SWIM (Social Work Integrated Model)
A blended, online delivery format.

What is it? Students can earn a BSW degree through distance education with the majority of all course work completed online and limited face-to-face course meetings on the BSU campus.

- BSU’s online social work degree has been recognized for quality in a national review of online programs by Affordable Colleges Online and as one of the “Best Online Social Work Degree for 2016-2017.”

How much “face-to-face” time is required? Students will come to BSU one Saturday each month to provide interactive dialogue and learn practice skills important to our profession. This means only 3-4 on-campus meetings each semester.

What is the timeline? Classes will begin August 2018. Students will graduate spring 2021.

How many classes do I take each semester? Students will take 2-3 classes each semester with the majority of semesters limited to two classes. Below is a tentative course schedule.

Will courses be offered in the summer? Summer classes are reserved for students that need to complete courses required to graduate with a 4-year degree at BSU. This may include 3000-4000 level electives, courses for a minor (optional), or completing the social statistics course required of social work students.

Can I get financial aid? This is a financial aid eligible program. Contact the Financial Aid office at BSU to determine your individual eligibility for financial aid. 218-755-2034

What are the eligibility criteria? To be eligible for SWIM, students must: (1) have completed the AA degree; (2) have a 2.25 cumulative GPA; and (3) completed the Supporting Foundation courses: Intro to Psych, Abnormal Psych, Human Biology, Intro American Politics, & diversity option (see following page for details).

How do I apply to BSU? Apply to BSU as a transfer student here:
http://www.bemidjistate.edu/admissions/transfer/apply. Being admitted to BSU is step one. Step two will be applying to the SWIM program when the application period opens in the Fall of 2017.

Is information available about the Social Work Program? Go to our website for more information.
http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/social-work/programs/online-social-work-bsw/

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Social Work Integrated Model (SWIM)
2018 Cohort – TENTATIVE Course Schedule

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* Courses that must be completed by August 2018
  - Human Biology*
  - Intro to Psychology*
  - Abnormal Psychology*
  - Intro to American Politics*
  - A 3-credit diversity course - ONE of the following*
    - Intro to Indian Studies
    - Ethnic and Minority Groups
    - Cultural Anthropology
    - World Religions

Social statistics (3000 level course) - must be completed by August 2020

**Additional Eligibility Criteria:**
- Ability to “pass” a Criminal Background Study done by the MN Dept. of Human Services. If a student has a felony/gross misdemeanor conviction, talk with Emily Paine as soon as possible.

**Application Deadline:** Fall 2017 with applicant selection finalized December 2017.