

## Brigham Young University- Idaho Undergraduate Social Work Program Application for Admissions

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION				
Name	Last	First	M.I.	
I-number		Application Date		
Address	Street & Apt.			
City	State, Zip	Phone		
Perm. Address	Street & Apt.			
City	State, Zip	_____ Male    _____ Female		
Date of Birth		Citizenship		
Ethnicity (Optional)		Email Address		
Track System	___ Fall / Winter	___ Winter / Summer	___ Summer / Fall	
Applying to begin	___ Fall 20__	___ Winter 20__	___ Summer 20__	
Mission	Where	When _____ to _____		
EDUCATION/SOCIAL WORK PREREQUISITES				
Cumulative GPA		Class Standing (Fresh., Soph., Junior, Senior)		BYU-Idaho Credit hours
SOCIAL WORK 260	Grade	College/University	Semester Taken	Name of Instructor
SOCIOLOGY 111 Or 112	Grade	College/University	Semester Taken	Name of Instructor
HUMAN BIOLOGY	Grade	College/University	Semester Taken	Name of Instructor
STATS 221	Grade	College/University	Semester Taken	Name of Instructor
PSYCHOLOGY 111	Grade	College/University	Semester Taken	Name of Instructor

Social Work Related "Work Experience" (Be specific)

Social Work Related "Volunteer Experience" (Be specific)

In addition to this application form, applicants must submit the following:

1. All transcripts from all colleges or universities attended other than BYU-Idaho
2. Three letters of reference (at least one from a college or university instructor)
3. A signed statement regarding your psychological health
4. A brief autobiography (see explanation below)
5. A Picture

## **AUTOBIOGRAPHY**

As an important part of your application, please submit an autobiography of 2 pages or less. This autobiography will be used as a way to get to know you better and as an indicator of your appropriateness for the social work program. It is important that you be honest and open in writing your autobiography. The committee will use your autobiography to assess your writing skills, your motivation for a career in social work and your past and present experiences and coping skills.

Your autobiography should include the following: (1) personal and family history (highlighting significant positive and negative life events), (2) significant educational experiences, (3) why you want a degree in social work and a clear specific explanation of why you believe your personal values are consistent with those of the social work profession and (4) if there was one spot left for acceptance into the social work program, why you should be selected over another student. Please label the areas with subheadings. If all of these areas are not specifically addressed, you may be asked to rewrite your autobiography.

**I have read the NASW Code of Ethics and I agree to abide by this code of conduct. (*Code of Ethics Pamphlet can be read in 132 Ricks or accessed online at [www.naswdc.org](http://www.naswdc.org) , about NASW, under Code of Ethics*).**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please send all materials to:*

**Undergraduate Admissions Committee  
Brigham Young University Idaho  
Department of Social Work  
132 Ricks  
Rexburg, Id. 83460-2130  
(208) 496-1363**

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY-IDAHO

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR BACHELORS DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK

Note: This form is designed for use by an academic and/or professional reference. Provide the reference with a stamped and addressed envelope (your address).

Part 1. (To be completed by the applicant)

Confidentiality (check one)

I waive my right of access to this confidential report. I do not waive my right of access to this confidential report.

Applicant's signature: Date:

Family or Surname First Name Middle or Maiden Name I-Number

Application: Month/ Year /

Please list courses you have taken from the person recommending you.

Table with 4 columns: Course Number, Course Title, When Taken, Grade. It contains two empty rows for data entry.

Part II. (To be completed by the referent)

The individual named above has applied for admission to the Brigham Young University Idaho, Department of Sociology and Social Work, BSW program, and is requesting a recommendation from you. May we have your assistance in evaluating this applicant's potential. Your frank and confidential evaluation of his or her abilities and attitudes will be appreciated.

I have known the applicant: extremely well fairly well superficially

State nature and length of contact:

Please rate the applicant in the following areas that are applicable:	Superior	Outstanding	Excellent	Good	Avg./Poor	No basis for judgment
	Top 2%	Top 10%	Top 20%	Top 1/2	Lower 1/2	
1. Intellectual and academic ability						
2. Ability to work with others						
3. Leadership ability						
4. Ability to communicate: a. Orally						
b. In writing						
5. Creativity; (student's ability to integrate academic work and practice)						
6. Initiative, motivation and work ethic						
7. Maturity and judgment						
8. Ability to problem solve						
9. Competence and ability to succeed in a Baccalaureate Social Work program						
10. Overall competence and potential						
11. Ability to handle ambiguity and conflict						
12. Student's overall sensitivity toward cultural diversity						

How would you evaluate yourself in giving ratings of this kind to students:

Generous       Average       Very conservative

In your opinion, what contribution has the applicant made on the campus? In the community? \_\_\_\_\_

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BYU-IDAHO assumes that in all likelihood the applicant is a competent person. It would be most appreciated if, instead of describing his or her general excellence you could tell what makes this candidate especially promising when compared to other applicants who may appear equally well qualified. If for any reason you have substantial reservations about the candidate's potential for success, please explain. (Write your comments either on this form or on a separate page.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (please type or print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

Please return your recommendation to the applicant in the pre-addressed envelope provided by the applicant. Secure the envelope and sign your name across the flap. Thank you for taking the time and effort to assist us in our professional screening process.

## BYU-Idaho Department of Social Work

### STATEMENT OF STUDENT'S PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH

Social work is a high-stress profession and the provision of social work services to clients requires a high level of professionalism. In order to be successful in this profession, a social worker must possess expert skills and knowledge, along with being *psychologically healthy*. If this level of *psychological health* is not reached before a student begins working with clients, the effects can be detrimental to both student and client. In addition, BYU-IDAHO, the Department of Social Work, the student and cooperating social service agencies within the community may be held responsible should a social work intern's level of personal performance interfere with the delivery of quality professional services.

Therefore, if you have *psychological* impairments that may harmfully affect your ability to deliver quality professional services, you may be denied admission into the Department of Social Work at BYU-IDAHO. If this is the case, it is recommended that you receive professional help and thereby become psychologically qualified to provide service in this demanding field. If you have a psychological impairment that may require reasonable accommodation by BYU-IDAHO to assist you in succeeding as a student, you are invited to contact the Department of Social Work to discuss such accommodations.

If admitted and you find that some of the content or experiences in any of our courses are disconcerting to you, you may leave the class or decline participation in the experience. However, because you will be held accountable to learn the particular content or learn from the experience, it is imperative that you check with your instructor at a later time to discuss completion of your course work.

Consequently, your application and acceptance of admission into BYU-IDAHO's Department of Social Work is your official recognition that:

1. You are currently psychologically healthy to the degree that any psychological condition that could possibly have a negative affect on your delivery of professional services to clients, and which could not otherwise be realistically accommodated by BYU-IDAHO, has been remedied and that upon request of the University you will provide medical evidence of successful ameliorative treatment;
2. You agree that should personal psychological information or behavior become known to you that could possibly be detrimental to your professional work, that information will be disclosed to the Department of Social Work who may share it with University personnel, having a justifiable need to know, and with supervisors in field placement agencies;
3. You agree that if personal psychological problems occur which are determined by the University to negatively impact yourself or clients and which cannot otherwise be reasonably accommodated, you are subject to suspension from the program until your psychological health is, in the opinion of the University, restored or reasonable accommodation is possible; (see opposite side of this page)
4. You agree to enter personal counseling/therapy at your own expense if the University as a condition to continued enrollment deems such help necessary.

By signing this document I certify that I have read, understood and agree to the above certifications.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Witness:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*Anyone can act as the witness to your signature on this form (friend, roommate, front desk secretary, etc.)