

ADVANCE AGREEMENT

To maintain my enrollment in the ADVANCE/NOVA- MASON partnership, I acknowledge that I will:

- Enroll in a minimum of six credits approved for my Advance pathway each fall semester and each semester.
- Complete ENG 111, ENG 125 and the required math for my Advance pathway with grades of A, B, or C in each course within my first 30 credits of enrollment at NOVA.
- Earn grades of A, B or C in all courses.
- Maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average each semester at NOVA.
- Maintain communication with my ADVANCE Success Coach each semester to insure that I am enrolled in the courses leading to completion of my associate's degree.
- Read and comply with the NOVA and MASON Codes of Student Conduct at: ***nvcc.edu/students/handbook/conduct.html*** and ***studentconduct.gmu.edu***
- Adhere to the Mason Honor Code: *To promote a stronger sense of mutual responsibility, respect, trust, and fairness among all members of the George Mason University Community and with the desire for greater academic and personal achievement, we, the student members of the university community, have set for this Honor Code: Student Members of the George Mason University community pledge not to cheat, plagiarize, steal, or lie in matters related to academic work.*
- Be responsible for responding to emails sent to my NOVA and MASON email accounts
- Graduate from NOVA with the applicable Associate of Arts, Associate of Science or Associate of Applied Science degree.

Administration of ADVANCE

Advance students with 63 or fewer credits are guided by the academic policies of NOVA. Advance students with 64 or more credits are guided by the academic policies of MASON.

Violations of student behavioral codes may be addressed by one or both institutions. The applicable code will be based on location of the incident(s), severity, as well as in collaboration between the conduct offices at both institutions. Additionally, a student may be charged by both institutions if a possible outcome is suspension or dismissal (expulsion).

Referrals for possible violations of Academic Integrity will be addressed according to the host institution of a particular class. This will be determined by the course listing (i.e. either NOVA or MASON) as well as the affiliation of the faculty member instructing the course.

Enrollment and Financial Aid

With the written approval of the Success Coach, ADVANCE students may co-enroll in a maximum of 9 credits at Mason during the first 63 credits of NOVA enrollment. Each lower-level course must be designated 100-299 and be approved to fulfill an associate's degree pathway requirement.

Advance students recognize that academic, registration and payment policies are different at NOVA and MASON. Additionally, the academic calendars of both institutions vary. Students are expected to comply with the deadlines, policies and procedures at the institution where they are taking courses.

For purposes of awarding financial aid, NOVA will be the home school until the student has completed 63 credits toward their associate's degree in the Advance Program at NOVA, and Mason will be the host school. Upon completion of 63 credits toward their associate's degree in the Advance Program at NOVA, Mason will become the home school, and NOVA will be the host school.

FERPA and Student Records

NOVA and MASON will share academic and financial aid information about ADVANCE students under the terms of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA). FERPA protections go into effect on the first day of classes of the student's first term of enrollment.

I agree to abide by the information provided in the ADVANCE Agreement.

Name: _____

EMPL ID: _____

Date: _____

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.S. General Studies/B.S.W. Social Work

2019-20

A.S. General Studies Pathway (Social Work)

2019-2020

ADVANCE Program Milestones

1. Students must take SDV 100 or SDV 101 in the first semester at NOVA.
2. Students must begin Developmental coursework in the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
3. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MTE or ENF courses (excluding summer).
4. In the first 30 credits, students must:
 - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
 - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.
5. Students must complete at least six degree-applicable credits with a C or better each fall and spring semester.
6. Students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
7. Students must apply for NOVA graduation and complete their Associate's degree.
8. Students must complete the Social Work application and successfully matriculate into the program prior to beginning senior field practicum.

Social Work Program Requirements:

1. Students must complete 45 credit hours with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.
2. Students must either complete or be registered for BIO 101 (BIOL 103), ENG 111 (ENGH 101), SOC 200 (SOCI 101), PSY 200 (PSYC 100).
3. Students must earn a C or better in SOCW 200, 357, 361 and at least two of the following courses: SOCW 311, 312, 375, 380.
4. Students must be enrolled in all other required 300-level SOCW courses.
5. Students must submit their application by the posted deadline (See: Advisor).
6. Students must complete the following courses (including prerequisites) before beginning the fall semester when you begin the senior field practicum: SOCW 200, 311, 312, 357, 361, 358, 362, 375, and 380.
7. Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA once admitted to the major.

NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT SEQUENCE		Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills OR SDV 101 Orientation to XXX	UNIV 100	Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I	BIOL 103	NAT SCIENCE
4	Open Elective #1	3	HIM 111 Medical Terminology I	HAP 202	DEGREE
5	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	PSY 200 Principles of Psychology	PSYC 100	Soc/Behav
6	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	Elective
7	Science Course #2	4	BIO 102 General Biology II	BIOL 106/107	NAT SCIENCE
8	Humanities/Fine Arts #1	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation OR ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I OR ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II OR CST 130 Introduction to Theatre OR CST 151 Film Appreciation I OR MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	ARTH 101 ARTH 200 ARTH 201 THR 101 ENGH L372 MUSI 101	Arts
9	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	QUANT
10	CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking OR CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
11	Open Elective #2	3	SOCW 200 Introduction to Social Work	SOCW 200	DEGREE
12	Humanities/Fine Arts #2	3	REL 100 Intro to the Study of Religion OR REL 231 Religions of the World I	RELI 100 RELI 212	Global
13	HIS Course	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I OR HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II OR HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ
14	Open Elective #3	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	DEGREE
15	ITE 115	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts	IT 103	Info Tech

16	Open Elective #4	3	CST 229 Intercultural Communication OR PSY 215 Abnormal Psychology OR PSY 216 Social Psychology OR PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology OR PSY 230 Developmental Psychology OR SOC 268 Social Problems OR Any approved Open Elective	COMM L305 PSYC L325 PSYC 231 PSYC L379 PSYC 211 SOCI L352	Elective
17	Open Elective #5	3	CST 229 Intercultural Communication OR PSY 215 Abnormal Psychology OR PSY 216 Social Psychology OR PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology OR PSY 230 Developmental Psychology OR SOC 268 Social Problems OR Any approved Open Elective	COMM L305 PSYC L325 PSYC 231 PSYC L379 PSYC 211 SOCI L352	Elective (Must select different discipline from above Open Elective)
18	Open Elective #6	3	ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story OR ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I OR ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II OR ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I OR ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II OR ENG 253 Survey of African-American Literature I	ENGH 202	Literature
19	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	SOC 200 Principles of Sociology	SOCI 101	DEGREE
20	Open Elective #7	3	CST 229 Intercultural Communication OR PSY 215 Abnormal Psychology OR PSY 216 Social Psychology OR PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology OR PSY 230 Developmental Psychology OR SOC 268 Social Problems OR Any approved Open Elective	COMM L305 PSYC L325 PSYC 231 PSYC L379 PSYC 211 SOCI L352	Elective
A. S. GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE TOTAL			60		

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

Social Work field requirements are ONLY offered during the daytime hours.

MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT SEQUENCE			Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 311 Building Professional Social Work Skills		DEGREE
22	Gen Ed: Written Communication (UL)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition		Written Comm
23	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 357 Methods of Social Work Intervention I (Fall only)		DEGREE
24	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 361 Methods of Social Work Interventions: Lab (Fall only)		DEGREE
25	Gen Ed: Synthesis/Major Requirement	3	SOCW 375 Human Behavior and the Family Life Course		Synthesis
26	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)		DEGREE
27	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 312 Knowledge Building for Helping Professionals		DEGREE
28	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 358 Methods of Social Work Intervention II (Spring only)		DEGREE
29	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 362 Methods of Social Work Intervention II: Lab (Spring only)		DEGREE
30	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 380 Changing Social Policies and Systems		DEGREE
31	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)		DEGREE
32	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 471 Research in Social Work		Writing Intensive
33	Major Requirements	3	Any 400- or 500- level SOCW course not listed above		DEGREE
34	Major Requirements	5	SOCW 495 Field Practicum and Seminar I		DEGREE
35	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)		DEGREE
36	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)		DEGREE
37	Social Work Elective	3	Any 400- or 500- level SOCW course not listed above		DEGREE
38	Major Requirements	3	SOCW 472 RS: Integrative Methods in Social Action and Social Change		DEGREE
39	Major Requirements	5	SOCW 496 Field Practicum and Seminar II		DEGREE
B.S.W. SOCIAL WORK DEGREE TOTAL		121			

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.

General Note: Students must earn a C or above in all Social Work classes applied to the major and must achieve an overall GPA of 2.5. Class attendance is required for all Social Work courses. Before beginning SOCW 495, students must successfully complete all required 200- and 300-level courses. Social Work faculty evaluate student performance periodically and may require students to withdraw from the program when, in their judgment, performance is not satisfactory.

For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>

Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation requirements