

Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine  
Pavlo Tychyna Uman State Pedagogical University



## ENTRANCE EXAM PROGRAM

### "SOCIAL WORK"

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy based on the Bachelor's Degree, Specialist Degree (NQF level 7) Educational and Scientific Program: Social Work Specialty: 231 Social Work (full-time, part-time, distance learning)



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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

The entrance exam program "Social Work" (Degree: Doctor of Philosophy, Educational and Scientific Program: Social Work, Specialty: 231 Social Work) has been developed by the working group of the Department of Social Pedagogy and Social Work at Pavlo Tychyna Uman State Pedagogical University. The program is compiled in accordance with Appendix 11 "Admission Rules for Higher Education in Postgraduate and Doctoral Studies at Pavlo Tychyna Uman State Pedagogical University in 2023" (approved by the Academic Council of Uman State Pedagogical University, Protocol No. 14 dated 25.04.2023). According to paragraph III of the Higher Education Standard of the third (educational and scientific) level, the Doctor of Philosophy degree, field of knowledge 23 Social Work, specialty 231 Social Work (approved by the order of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine No. 1495 dated 30.12.2021), the program includes an assessment of the acquisition of competencies and learning outcomes defined by the higher education standard for the specialty 231 Social Work at the second (master's) level of higher education. The program is developed taking into account the specific features of the Educational and Scientific Program "Social Work" of the third (educational and scientific) level of higher education (2023). The main goal of the entrance exam in social work (Field of Knowledge: 23 Social Work, Specialty: 231 Social Work, Third (educational and scientific) level) is to assess the knowledge and skills of applicants.

The applicant should know:

- Contemporary theories, methodologies, and methods of social and other sciences, including methods of mathematical statistics and quantitative sociological methods, related to fundamental and applied research in the field of social work.
- Methods of diagnosing, forecasting, designing, and modeling social situations.
- Methods and technologies of innovative practice and management in the field of social work.
- Norms of communication with representatives of other professional groups at different levels (experts from other fields/types of economic activity).
- Methods of interaction between state, public, and commercial organizations based on social partnership.
- Conditions for assessing the social consequences of policies in the field of human rights, social inclusion, and sustainable societal development.
- Fundamentals of effective organization management in the field of social work.
- Ethical principles, standards, and values of social work.

The applicant should be able to:

- Solve complex problems and issues that require updating and integrating knowledge in conditions of incomplete/inadequate information and conflicting requirements.
- Critically evaluate the results of scientific research and various sources of knowledge on social work practices, formulate conclusions and recommendations for their implementation.
- Use foreign sources in performing research and applied activities, express oneself in a foreign language both orally and in writing.
- Analyze the social and individual context of personal, family, social group, and community problems, formulate the purpose and tasks of social work, plan interventions in complex and unpredictable circumstances in accordance with the values of social work.
- Evaluate the social consequences of policies in the field of human rights, social inclusion, and sustainable societal development, develop recommendations for improving the normative and legal framework of social work.
- Demonstrate initiative, independence, originality, and generate new ideas to solve professional tasks.
- Determine the methodology of applied scientific research and apply quantitative and qualitative methods of analysis, including methods of mathematical statistics.
- Demonstrate a positive attitude towards their own profession and adhere to ethical principles and standards of social work in their behavior.
- The policy of the entrance examination includes compliance with the principles of academic integrity defined in the Code of Academic Integrity of Pavlo Tychyna Uman State Pedagogical University.

## CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS OF APPLICANTS

### Level Points Description of Oral Responses

Failed 0 – 99 The applicant provides isolated pieces of information but does not fully understand the content of the educational material; lacks the necessary depth of knowledge and skills.

105 – 109 The applicant demonstrates superficial knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes some errors in presenting the material,

indicating a limited grasp of theoretical concepts; possesses the material at a reproductive level and shows basic skills; makes errors in speech formulation.

110 – 119 The applicant demonstrates superficial knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes occasional errors in presenting the material; possesses the material at a reproductive level and shows basic skills; makes minor errors in speech formulation.

Average 120 – 129 The applicant demonstrates knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes significant errors in presenting the material, indicating a limited grasp of theoretical concepts; possesses the material at a reproductive level, partially answers the questions, shows basic skills; makes significant errors in speech formulation.

Passed Initial 100 – 104 The applicant demonstrates superficial knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline, while making significant errors in presenting the material, indicating a limited grasp of theoretical concepts; possesses the material at a reproductive level and shows basic skills; makes significant errors in speech formulation.

130 – 139 The applicant demonstrates knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes significant errors in presenting the material, indicating a limited grasp of theoretical concepts; possesses the material at a reproductive level, partially answers the questions, shows basic skills; makes errors in speech formulation.

140 – 149 The applicant demonstrates knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes some errors in presenting the material; possesses the material at a reproductive level, partially answers the questions, shows basic skills; makes minor errors in speech formulation.

150 – 159 The applicant demonstrates sufficient knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes some errors, which they correct themselves; the response has occasional flaws in the coherence of presenting the material and minor deviations from the norms of literary language. The applicant is able to compare and generalize the acquired material.

160 – 169 The applicant demonstrates sufficient knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes some errors, which they correct themselves; the response has occasional flaws in the coherence of presenting the material and minor deviations from the norms of literary language. The applicant is able to compare and generalize the acquired material and draw their own conclusions.

170 – 179 The applicant demonstrates sufficient knowledge and understanding of the main principles of the discipline but makes some errors, which they correct themselves; the response has occasional flaws in the coherence of presenting the material and minor deviations from the norms of literary language. The applicant is able to compare and generalize the acquired material, draw their own conclusions, and show some heuristic interest.

## STRUCTURE OF EVALUATION

The questions on the ticket are evaluated on a scale from 0 to 200 points. The overall score for the entrance examination is determined as the arithmetic mean of the scores for each question divided by the number of questions on the ticket.

## PROGRAM CONTENT

### THEORY AND METHODS OF SOCIAL WORK

Topic 1. Social work as the interconnection of theory and practice The essence of social work in Ukraine, its societal significance, and peculiarities. The concept of "theory of social work," objects and subjects of social work. Classification of social work institutions in Ukraine. Functions and principles of social work. The concept of "method of social work." Characteristics of social work methods. Forms of social work. Classification of social work methods based on motivational characteristics of influencing the condition and behavior of individuals or communities in need of assistance (socio-economic, organizational-administrative, psychological, sociological). Normative-legal framework for social protection of the population in Ukraine.

Topic 2. Social technologies and technologies of social work. Social work technologies: essence, specificity, classifications. Structure and content of social technologies. Algorithm of actions in socio-pedagogical technologies. Use of interactive forms in social work. Diagnosis of social work as a condition for its successful forecasting. Evaluation and assessment of the effectiveness of social work. Technologies for developing and implementing social projects.

Topic 3. Emergence and development of the theory of social work. Interconnection of the theory of social work with social sciences. Philosophical foundations of social work (philosophical temporality in the sociocultural context, socio-philosophical problems of social work). Sociology and social work. Interconnection of psychology and social work. Legal foundations of social work. Medical-social direction in social work.

Topic 4. Adaptive-socialization theory of social work. Holistic understanding of humans as bio-social beings in the history of social work. Theoretical models of personal integrity. Psychosocial interpretation of social work. Humanistic theory of

social work. Individual and society: types of social relations. Institutionalization of social work. Value foundations of social work. Subject-object and subject-subject relations in social work. Clients of social work, their subjective characteristics.

Topic 5. Fundamentals of personality socialization. Personality socialization, its structure. Mechanisms and factors of socialization. Environment as the primary condition for socialization. The concept of social education. Category of social adaptation. Social rehabilitation. Social prevention. Social services.

Topic 6. Social policy. Social policy in Ukraine as the basis of state policy. Influence of state social policy on the social development of a democratic country. Social policy regarding the protection of different population groups.

Topic 7. History of Social Work

Stages, major trends, and patterns of formation and development of social work from the pre-state period to the 17th century. Essence, nature, and characteristics of the development of social work from the 17th century to the present day. Historical periodization of the formation and development of social work in Ukraine. Specific features of private, civic, and Christian forms of charity in the history of social work. Social assistance in Western Europe during the early (5th-10th centuries) and classical (11th-15th centuries) Middle Ages. Princely and church-monastic forms of support for the needy in Kyivan Rus from the 10th to the 13th centuries. The role and significance of kinship and territorial communities in providing social assistance in the daily lives of ancient Slavs.

## TECHNOLOGIES OF SOCIAL WORK

Topic 1. Technologies of Social Work with Different Types of Families

Typology of families. Classification of types of families. Issues of parents and children in contemporary families. Models of social work with various types of families. Specific features of social work with families. Directions of social work with families. Social-pedagogical work with children who have experienced domestic violence. Prevention of violence in families as a complex problem of social pedagogy. Working with young families to stabilize their marital relationships. Methods of family diagnostics. Methods and forms of social worker's work with families that have children with special needs. Problem-oriented model of interaction between a social worker and a client family. Methodology of home care as a form of social pedagogical and psychological assistance to families. Methods and features of social worker's work with antisocial families (families of alcoholics, drug addicts, etc.). Features of social worker's work with orphaned children in foster families. Forms of organization of training for foster parents.

## Topic 2. Inclusive Education. Technologies of Social Work with People with Disabilities

Social-psychological portrait of individuals with disabilities. Specific features of social work with people with different types of impairments. Characteristics of models of social support for individuals with disabilities. Psychological-pedagogical support in the context of inclusive education.

Topic 3. Social Work with Older Adults Legal protection of the elderly. Social work with older adults. Organizations and institutions of the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine working with older adults. Adult education in Ukraine and abroad. Adult education in the context of the idea of lifelong learning and human-centeredness. The University of the Third Age as an innovative direction in adult education.

Topic 4. Gender Issues in Social Work Concept of gender and gender education. Social work with women. Domestic violence, its features, and types. Socio-psychological characteristics of women and children victims of domestic violence. Methods of social work with victims of domestic violence. Women's information centers. The issue of women's unemployment. Charitable work of women's organizations in Ukraine. Gender education.

Topic 5. Social Work with Military Personnel Program for providing social-psychological assistance. Organization of social work with military conscripts. Stages of social work with military conscripts. Prevention of suicidal behaviors. Social work with forced migrants.

Topic 6. Technologies of Social Work with Gifted Individuals Essence of giftedness. Characteristics of creatively gifted individuals. Typology of giftedness. Characteristics of creative giftedness and its challenges in individuals. Social-pedagogical work with gifted children and their parents.

Topic 7. Social Work and Support for Orphans and Children Deprived of Parental Care Characteristics of social orphanhood in Ukraine. Concept of orphanhood and social orphanhood. Causes of neglect and homelessness of children in Ukraine. Characteristics of minors referred to as "street children". Social-pedagogical work with social orphans. Traditional and innovative forms of care for orphans and children deprived of parental care.

Topic 8. Social Work in the Community Social work in educational institutions. Social services as institutions for implementing state policies regarding children and youth within the territorial community. Digitization of the social protection system. Social work with persons affected by military operations.

Topic 9. Youth Work: Theory and Practice Youth as a social-demographic group. State youth policy. Formation and development of youth work. Social activity of youth. Forms and directions of youth work. Youth movement.

Topic 10. Management and Marketing in Social Service Organizations Components of the social work management process. Basic principles of social work management. Methods, forms, and functions of social work management. Planning as a function of social work management. Supervision in social work: key approaches and principles. Challenges in developing international standards and quality systems for social services.

## RESEARCH IN SOCIAL WORK

Topic 1. Types and Stages of Research Concept of research. Concept of scientific theory. Levels of methodological analysis. Academic integrity as a fundamental principle of the educational environment and research.

Topic 2. Objectives of Research Methodology Objectives of research methodology. Research methodology in the social sphere. Research methods in the context of methodological understanding. General scientific methodology. Specific scientific methodology. Objectives of social work as a scientific field.

Topic 3. Methodological Principles and Approaches to Research Methodological principles of research in the social sphere. Methodological approaches in the theory of social work.

Topic 4. Empirical and Theoretical Research in Social Work Structure of scientific knowledge. Theoretical research, its objectives, and approaches. Empirical research: essence and objectives.

Topic 5. Technology of Research Characteristics of the research process. Justification of the research topic and formulation of the working hypothesis. Objective, tasks, object, and subject of the research.

## Recommended Sources

### Main sources

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10. Social Work Practicum: Teaching Methodological Guide / compiled by O. M. Shevchuk. Uman: FOP Zholytyi, 2021. 100 p.
11. Semigina Tetiana. International Social Work: Priorities and Standards. Kyiv: Academy of Labour, Social Relations and Tourism, 2021. 175 p.
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Web Resources:

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