

Placement Calendar

All social work placements are undertaken in accordance with the Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Social Workers. The learning outcomes of each placement are informed by the domains of proficiency for social work (Social Workers Registration Board, CORU) which are integrated in the Learning Agreement for placement.

Trinity College Dublin, School of Social Work and Social Policy has two Social Work programmes.

Bachelor of Social Science (Social Work) 4 year undergraduate honours degree programme.

Students on our BSS programme come from a wide variety of backgrounds including school leavers and mature applicants. These students completed a foundational level placement in a residential setting at the end of first year and a community-based placement at the end of second year.

In both third and fourth year BSS students undertake a 14-week professional placement in social work settings.	
Junior Sophister (3 rd Year) September 6 th – December 110 th 2021 (14 weeks)	Students completed a residential sector placement at the end of first year and a community work practice learning assignment at the end of second year. A key aim of this third-year placement is to facilitate students to develop their professional practice base, as well as gaining experience in the specific placement sector to which they are assigned.
Senior Sophister (4 th Year) September 6 th – December 10 th 2021 (14 weeks)	This is the student's final placement. At this stage, having successfully completed two foundation level placements together with a fourteen-week professional social work placement, students have clearly identified learning needs, areas of practice interest and specific skills that they wish to develop on placement. In addition to this targeted learning, they will continue to develop their professional practice base and gain experience particular to the placement sector to which they are assigned

Master in Social Work 2 year postgraduate master level course.		
Prior to undertaking the MSW programme students have completed a relevant primary degree and have at least 6 months experience in the field of social care or community work. During their 2 years on the MSW programme the students undertake 2 professional placements.		
MSW 1 January 10 th -April 15 th 2022 (14 weeks)	This is the student's first placement in a professional social work setting. A key aim of this placement is to facilitate students to develop their professional social work practice base as well as gaining experience in the specific placement sector to which they are assigned.	
MSW 2 January 10th – April 15 th 2022	This 14-week placement is the second and final placement for the MSW students. This placement will give students an opportunity to consolidate their practice skills, develop in	

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sector to which they are assigned.

relation to identified areas for learning and gain experience particular to the placement

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(14 weeks)