

## Who does this Apply to?

All MSW@Denver students that entered GSSW prior to Summer Quarter 2020 and who will be continuing students in Summer Quarter 2020 and beyond. These changes do not apply to any student that successfully completes all requirements and graduates in Winter or Spring Quarter 2020. *\*See note below.*

## What are the Curriculum Updates?

To meet requests for greater degree flexibility and opportunities for electives, we will increase the amount of elective credits and reduce field credits, dependent on field start date. GSSW faculty approved the future change because we want to support student requests to have more choice and time dedicated to learning in their areas of interest.

### Curriculum Update Snapshot

**Field credit update:** Depending on the foundation and/or concentration field term start, there will be a reduction to field credit and hours, which will be replaced by either three and/or six elective credits instead. See guidance below for more details. *Please note that your planned field start date will not change based on these updates.*

**Research requirement update:** SOWK 4901 Applied Practice Evaluation and Research is no longer a required course starting in Summer Quarter 2020 and will be replaced by a three-credit elective of your choice.

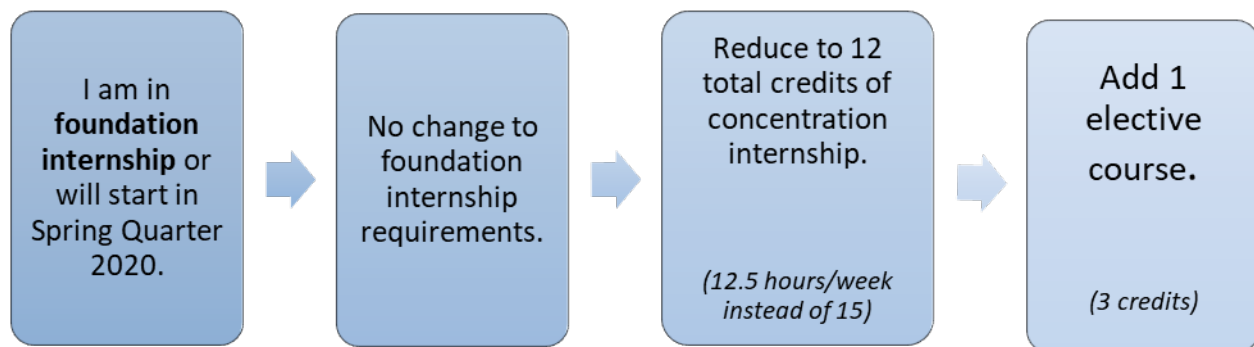
**For degree completion:**

- Traditional students who entered GSSW prior to Summer Quarter 2020 must still complete 90 total credits.
- Advanced Standing students who entered GSSW prior to Summer Quarter 2020 must still complete 60 total credits.

## Field credit FAQs:

### 1. I am in my foundation internship, or I will start my foundation internship in Spring Quarter 2020.

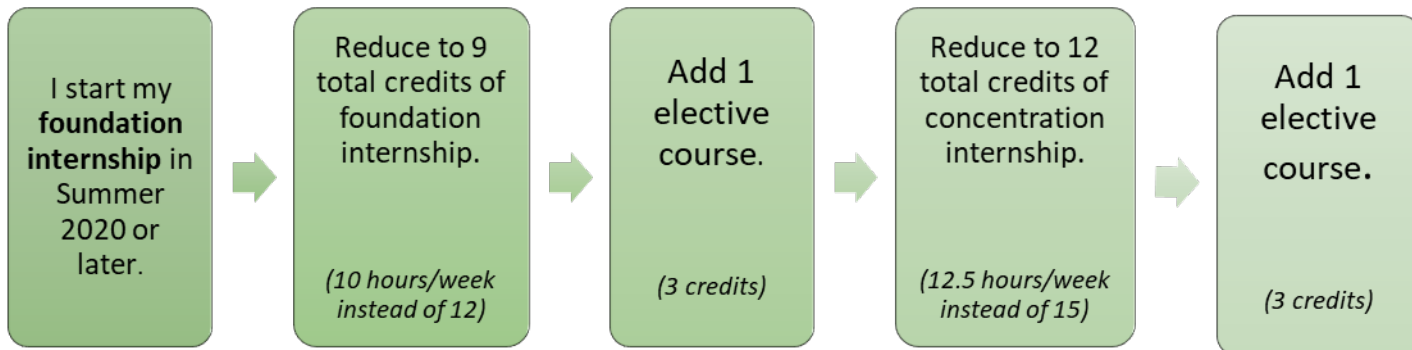
- Foundation Internship: Requirements remain the same. You will take 12 total foundation credits. You will complete 480 total hours (12 hours per week).
- Concentration Internship: You will take 12 concentration internship credits instead of 15 credits. You will complete 500 total hours (12.5 hours per week), instead of 600 total hours (15 hours per week).
  - AND you will choose one elective course (3 credits).



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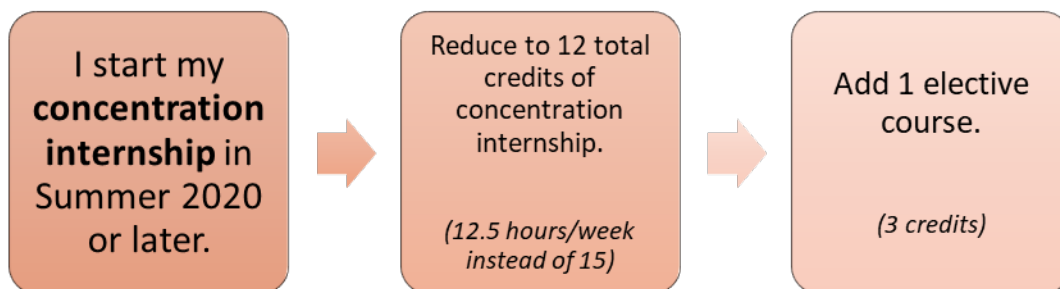
**2. I start my foundation internship in Summer Quarter 2020 or later.**

- Foundation Internship: You will take 9 foundation internship credits instead of 12 credits. You will complete 400 total hours (10 hours per week), instead of 480 total hours (12 hours per week).
  - AND you will choose one elective course (3 credits).
- Concentration Internship: You will take 12 concentration internship credits instead of 15 credits. You will complete 500 total hours (12.5 hours per week), instead of 600 total hours (15 hours per week).
  - AND you will choose one elective course (3 credits).



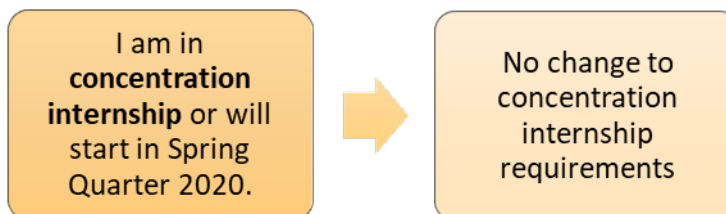
**3. I start my concentration internship in Summer Quarter 2020 or later.**

- You will take 12 concentration internship credits instead of 15 credits. You will complete 500 total hours (12.5 hours per week), instead of 600 total hours (15 hours per week).
  - AND you will choose one elective course (3 credits).



**4. I am in my concentration internship, or I will start my concentration internship in Spring Quarter 2020.**

- Concentration Internship: Requirements remain the same. You will take 15 total concentration credits. You will complete 600 total hours (15 hours per week).

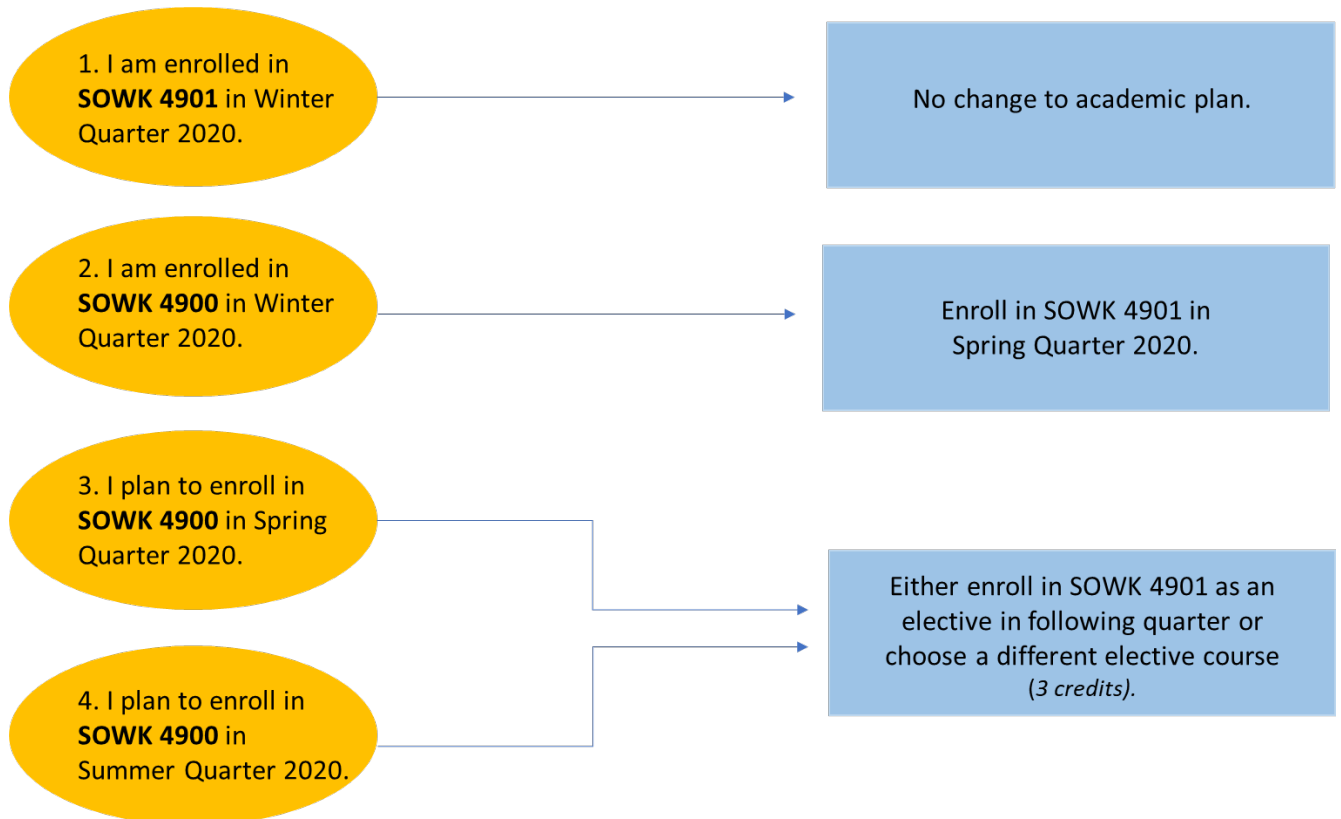


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## Research Requirement FAQs:

As of Summer Quarter 2020, the *SOWK 4901: Applied Practice Evaluation Research* course is no longer a required course. Instead, it can be completed as an elective OR must be replaced by a different elective course (3 credits). See guidance below.

- 1. I am enrolled in SOWK 4901 in Winter Quarter 2020.**
  - No changes to your plan. SOWK 4901 is still required.
- 2. I am enrolled in SOWK 4900 in Winter Quarter 2020.**
  - You will continue with SOWK 4901 as a required course in Spring Quarter 2020.
- 3. I plan to register for SOWK 4900 in Spring Quarter 2020.**
  - You will either register for SOWK 4901 as an elective in Summer Quarter 2020 or choose a different elective course (3 credits).
- 4. I plan to register for SOWK 4900 in Summer Quarter 2020 or after.**
  - You will either register for SOWK 4901 as an elective in the following quarter or choose a different elective course (3 credits).



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