About Social Work
The School of Social Work provides a wide range of educational experiences for those interested in entering the ever-expanding field of social work. As a student, you will be prepared to work in a variety of settings, including child welfare, mental health, criminal and juvenile justice, gerontology, domestic violence, health care, community development, policy practice, and research.

If you are concerned with matters of social justice and want to make a difference in peoples' lives and your communities, we invite you to consider the social work profession as a rewarding and valuable career.

Mission of the Greenspun College of Urban Affairs
The Greenspun College of Urban Affairs is dedicated to your personal and academic development, the advancement of our disciplines, and the improvement of public policy and professional practices. Our programs emphasize improvement of the quality of urban life by preparing you for professional practice through interdisciplinary learning, service, and scholarship founded on active collaboration among you, our faculty, professionals, and community members.

Visit this site for more information:
http://urbanaffairs.unlv.edu/

Social Work Career Options
- Child, family, and school social workers
- Medical and public health social workers
- Mental health and substance abuse social workers

Graduate Program
Master of Social Work
The Master of Social Work (MSW) Program at UNLV prepares students for professional social work careers in the areas of direct practice with individuals, families, and groups, and in management and community practice.

The mission of the MSW program is to educate students to work with populations in urban settings, utilizing generalist, problem-solving, empowerment, and social justice approaches. Special attention is given to the mastery of multiple practice issues, attendant upon the present plural and diverse populations in American society. Students may elect Direct Practice or Management and Community Practice as their area of concentration. The Direct Practice concentration prepares students for advanced social work practice with individuals, families, and groups. The Management and Community Practice concentration prepares students for advanced practice in policy advocacy and management of human service organizations and agencies at the local, state and national levels.

http://www.unlv.edu/degree/msw

Activities and Groups
Phi Alpha Delta: UNLV's Delta Chapter, was founded at UNLV in May 1982 and welcomes students who have attained excellence in scholarship and achievement in social work.

University Association of Social Work Students (UASWS): UASWS is an organization directed toward social work majors. UASWS is an excellent forum for social work students to share ideas, experiences, and concerns, and to have a voice in the School of Social Work.

http://www.unlv.edu/socialwork/activities

UNLV Academic Advising for Social Work Majors:
Academic Advisors who are eager to meet with students about their academic goals and to assist in constructing a plan for graduation. Advisors can also help students understand how their experiences at UNLV can lead to a career in their desired field.

Greenspun College of Urban Affairs Advising Center
Phone: 702-895-1009
Campus Location: GUA 4th Floor - North Wing
http://urbanaffairs.unlv.edu/advising/

www.sepa.unlv.edu
Helpful Career Information

Visit the Career Occupational Handbook to learn more about a specific occupation:

http://www.bls.gov/ooh/

The OCH covers hundreds of occupations and describes: What They Do, Work Environment, How to Become One, Pay, and more. Each profile also includes BLS employment projections for the 2010–20 decade.

Career Exploration/Planning

FOCUS 2: UNLV's computerized assessment that profiles your interests, abilities, and values and helps you find a career that's right for you.

http://hire.unlv.edu/careerAssessment.html

Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI): Assessment designed to identify how you are energized, how you take in information, how you make decisions, and how you approach life.

http://hire.unlv.edu/careerAssessmentMBTI.html

Strong Interest Inventory: Generates an in-depth assessment of your interests among a broad range of occupations, work and leisure activities, and educational subjects.

http://hire.unlv.edu/careerAssessmentStrong.html

UNLV Career Services

Career Services encourages ALL UNLV students to take advantage of their services, which include:

- Assistance with developing a career plan and choosing a major
- Career counseling and guidance on building a RESUME
- Preparing for an interview, assistance with job searching and networking.

Phone: 702-895-3495
Campus Location: SSC-A 2nd Floor
http://hire.unlv.edu/

Internship Opportunities

UNLV CareerLink is a free, online recruiting system that helps students, alumni, and employers connect in a variety of ways.

Students can use CareerLink to search for: job and internship listings, on-campus recruiting interviews, employer information sessions, resume book database, & dates for career fairs.

http://hire.unlv.edu/careerLink.html


MEDIAN SALARIES BY DISCIPLINE 2010-2012

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