MSW/Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Students earn a Master of Social Work degree from the Brown School and a Master of Business Administration degree from Olin Business School. The program of study requires 99 credit hours, taken over three years: 48 credits are taken at Brown and 51 credits at Olin. The joint degree is compatible with each of the MSW concentrations at the Brown School.

The program’s basic goal is to prepare students for advanced professional practice, supported by in-depth management and leadership knowledge and skills. The joint-degree program prepares students who seek or will return to middle- or senior-level management positions in nonprofit, government or for-profit organizations, as well as students interested in such areas as performance management, quality improvement, nonprofit consulting, capacity building, organizational development, corporate social responsibility, social entrepreneurship and private practice. The John M. Olin School of Business builds its curriculum around five career platforms: Consulting, Corporate Finance & Investment, Entrepreneurship, Marketing, and Operations & Supply Chain Management. Additional sub-specializations are offered.

Students enroll for approximately three semesters in social work and approximately three semesters in business. Students may start in either school, but are advised to begin in social work. The Brown School recognizes 9 credit hours of courses from the School of Business toward the MSW degree (normally 60 credit hours). These are treated as electives. Learn more by visiting the Olin Business School website (https://olin.wustl.edu/EN-US/academic-programs/full-time-MBA/academics/joint-degrees/Pages/wash-u-graduate-programs.aspx).