The goal of the Social Leadership concentration is to prepare you for advanced, evidence-based social work practice in organizational and community settings to:

1. Provide leadership in organizations and communities within the public and private sectors.
2. Synthesize and apply theories and methods of policy analysis to advance social and economic justice.
3. Synthesize and apply theories of change and methods of program evaluation to assess the effectiveness of social programs.
4. Develop, provide, and assess effective administrative policies and practices.
5. Critically evaluate, synthesize, and articulate empirical and conceptual literature related to practice in social policy, program, and administrative contexts.

This concentration equips you to work in policy and/or administrative positions in governmental and non-governmental social agencies serving diverse individuals, groups, and communities. In their first year, our Traditional MSW Social Leadership students complete foundation courses and an internship (which requires direct client contact.) They then begin advanced practice courses learning about organizational and community systems, advanced policy analysis, program evaluation, and personnel administration. Advanced electives allow student to focus their studies on a substantive area of interest. In the final semester, a policy/administration-advanced internship is completed along with an Integrative Seminar.