

Board of Accreditation (BOA) Department of Social Work Accreditation (DOSWA)

Timeline of Activities | Practice Doctoral Programs in Social Work

Year(s)	Summary of Activities
2010 - 2011	DSW task force report from Social Work Leadership Forum
2012 - 2013	Discussions: GADE, Leadership Roundtable, NASW Social Policy Think Tank
2013	CSWE Board of Directors (BOD) creates DSW committee to explore accreditation of practice doctorate social work programs
2014 - 2015	 DSW committee recommends collecting data from social work programs, executes plan, and analyzes results DSW committee presents recommendation to CSWE BOD to initiate a collaborative and stakeholder-inclusive process to collect feedback
2016	CSWE BOD unanimously voted to request that the Board of Accreditation (formerly Commission on Accreditation) move forward with developing a process for the accreditation of practice doctorate social work programs
2016	Stakeholder meetings held
2017 - 2019	 BOA and COEP practice doctorate sub-committee meet to develop multiple drafts of framework and accreditation standards Stakeholder feedback sought on multiple drafts of framework and accreditation standards
2019	 BOA DSW subcommittee convenes to further explore piloting accreditation BOA votes to proceed with piloting accreditation contingent upon updates to the definition, scope, and accreditation standards
2020	 BOA & COEP present the updated definition, scope, and accreditation standards and solicit stakeholder feedback BOA votes to approve definition, scope, and accreditation standards BOA votes to proceed with piloting accreditation when sufficient new staff and BOA resources are in place as determined by the Executive Director of Accreditation

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2020 - 2021	 Webpage created Consultant hired to develop pilot resources Staff position created to manage pilot
2021	 BOA votes to approve pilot plan and materials Call for applications to participate in the pilot disseminated Pilot programs selected PPDP Implementation Committee formed to serve as workgroup for pilot reviews BOA members trained to conduct visits Pilot commences
2021 - 2025	 Pilot underway Feedback collected from programs and BOA members
2024 - 2025	PPDP Standards Revision Committee of BOA and COEP members review and implement feedback into multiple drafts of post-pilot standards