As one of the world’s leading schools of social work and a hub for social innovation, the UW School of Social Work has a lot to be proud of. Here are some highlights of our research capacity, faculty recognition, student support and national leadership in the field.

- Third among the nation’s more than 260 advanced social work degree programs (U.S. News & World Report, 2020).
- First in a study assessing faculty productivity at U.S. social work schools with doctoral programs (Scientometrics study, 2018).
- Conceptualized and advanced the Grand Challenges for Social Work, a national initiative to champion social progress powered by science and focused on 13 social issues.
- One of the most diverse professional schools at the University of Washington, with 43 percent Black, Indigenous and students of color.
- Leading a statewide behavioral health workforce development initiative funded by a $24.8 million gift from the Ballmer Group that provides educational grants to graduate social work and counseling students at 13 participating universities.
- A total of 641 students in undergraduate and graduate degree programs; 297 students graduated in 2021.
- Established the Roffman Term Faculty Fellowships for Antiracism in 2020, focused on strengthening faculty understanding of racism and social justice.
- Nearly $5 million in student support awarded annually.
- More than 600 field education sites for BASW and MSW students.
- First among social work schools worldwide for influential scholarship and broad impact (Center for World University Rankings, 2017).
- Received $59.76 million in research grants and training revenue in fiscal year 2021.
- Sixteen research and innovation centers focused on every area of the human lifespan.
- More than $73 million raised in a recent fundraising campaign, exceeding the $70 million goal—the largest on record for a school of social work at a public university.
- First endowed deanship in social work at a U.S. public university.
- Twenty-three recipients of UW Awards of Excellence for teaching, leadership, mentorship and public service.
- Twelve professors inducted as fellows of the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare, in recognition of their accomplishments as scholars and practitioners.