

Social Work

Bachelor of Social Work

The Bachelor of Social Work degree program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

Summary of Degree Requirements

Candidates for the Bachelor of Social Work must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Hours for the Degree:** Completion of a minimum of 124 semester hours; 42 hours must be advanced.
- 2. General University Requirements:** See “General University Requirements” in the Academics section of this catalog.
- 3. University Core Curriculum:** Minimum 47 hours. See “University Core Curriculum Requirements” in the Academics section of this catalog.
- 4. Major Requirements:** Major of 42 hours in Social Work and related required courses.
- 5. Electives:** Electives may be required to satisfy the advanced hour requirement (42) and/or the minimum total hours (124) required for the degree.
- 6. Other Course Requirements:** See individual major.
- 7. Other Requirements:**
 - Must make formal application for acceptance to the program;
 - Must have a minimum 2.25 GPA, or permission of the program director, for admission to and graduation from the program;
 - Must take BIOL 1110/1115 or equivalent.

Below is a suggested arrangement of courses. This is merely a suggested outline. In many cases the student will be able to take courses other than those listed below.

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*Following is **one** suggested four-year plan. Students are encouraged to see their adviser each semester for help with program decisions and enrollment.*

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FRESHMAN YEAR

FALL	HOURS
COMM 1010, Introduction to Communication	3
CSCI 1100, Introduction to Computer Science	3
ENGL 1310, College Writing I, or ENGL 1313, Computer Assisted College Writing I	3
PSCI 1040, American Government	3
SOWK 1450, Introduction to Social Work (Pre-major)	<u>3</u>
Total	15

FRESHMAN YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
BIOL 1110/1115, Animal and Human Biology (Pre-major)	4
ENGL 2700, Technical Writing, or ENGL 1320, College Writing II, or ENGL 1323, Computer Assisted College Writing II	3
PSCI 1050, American Government ¹⁷	3
SOCI 1520, Contemporary Social Problems (Pre-major) ⁴	<u>3</u>
Wellness ¹⁶	<u>2</u>
Total	15

SOPHOMORE YEAR

FALL	HOURS
ECON 1110, Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ENGL 2210, World Literature I	3
HIST 2610, United States History to 1865 ¹²	3
SOWK 4540, Race and Ethnic Minorities ²³ Laboratory Science ¹¹	<u>4</u>
Total	16

SOPHOMORE YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
ENGL 2220, World Literature II	3
HIST 2620, United States History Since 1865 ¹²	3
PSYC 1630, General Psychology	3
SOWK 2430, Policies, Issues and Programs in Social Welfare (Pre-major)	3
MATH ¹⁰	<u>3</u>
Total	15

JUNIOR YEAR

FALL	HOURS
RHAB 3200, Physical and Psychosocial Aspects of Disability I	3
SOWK 4340, Social Psychology and Behavior in the Social Environment	3
Elective or Minor	3
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Elective or Minor	3
Visual and Performing Arts ¹³	<u>3</u>
Total	18

JUNIOR YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
SOCI 4880, Quantitative Methods of Social Research	3
SOWK 3800, Social Work Practice I	3
SOWK 4890, Topics in Social Welfare	3
Elective or Minor	3
Elective or Minor	<u>3</u>
Total	15

SENIOR YEAR

FALL	HOURS
SOWK 4810, Social Work Practice II	3
SOWK 4820, Social Work Practicum I	6
Elective or Minor	3
Elective or Minor	<u>3</u>
Total	15

SENIOR YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
SOWK 3870, Social Work Research and Practice	3
SOWK 4830, Social Work Practicum II	6
Elective or Minor	3
Elective or Minor	<u>3</u>
Total	15

Actual degree plans may vary depending on availability of courses in a given semester.

Some courses may require prerequisites not listed in the above plan.

See Community Service folding key (#3) for footnotes.

Supplemental Information for Bachelor of Social Work

Students may indicate an intention of majoring in social work at any point during their academic career. They may consult with social work and School of Community Service advisers regarding degree requirements at any time. However, formal acceptance into the social work major occurs only after completion of the designated pre-major courses and submission of a formal application for admission. Students must have at least a 2.25 GPA to apply. Application to the major should occur by midterm of the semester in which pre-major courses are completed. The number of available slots is limited, so admission may be restricted. An application form and instructions are available in the social work office.

Pre-major courses include: SOWK 1450 and 2430, SOCI 1520, BIOL 1110/1115 and PSYC 1630.

The Bachelor of Social Work degree requires a minimum grade of C in all social work courses, except for SOWK 3800 and 4810, which require a minimum grade of B.

Students in the program may select a minor in consultation with the student adviser.