



2026-2027

SOCIAL WORK MAJOR, B.A.

Social Work Department; College of Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences

Social work is the professional activity of helping individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities to enhance or restore their capacity for social functioning and create societal conditions favorable to that goal. Social workers at the baccalaureate level are trained as generalist practitioners, this means the social worker has an eclectic theoretical base that utilizes a systems framework to assess a variety of points for possible intervention. If students are trained to understand that life is dynamically interwoven by historical, social, political, and economic forces, then students will be able to comprehensively assess conditions and be prepared to work in a variety of practice environments and levels of intervention, with specific awareness of vulnerable population groups. Areas of practice include, but are not limited to: work in child welfare/foster care/adoption, medical settings, addictions, mental health/counseling, school social work, community development organizations, non-profit management, homeless shelters, crisis intervention, developmental disabilities, grant writing, policy development, juvenile and adult incarceration, etc.

Students must complete all Foundations requirements and major requirements, as well as any additional General Electives needed to reach the minimum of 124 total credits required for a Bachelor's degree.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (49)

Complete:

__ 3	SW	100	Intro to Social Work
__ 3	SW	211	Encountering Poverty
__ 3	SW	250	Human Behavior Social Envir
__ 3	SW	302	SW Ethics & Contemporary Practice
__ 3	SW	310	SW Practice: Individuals/Families
__ 3	SW	331	Intro Research Methods
__ 1	SW	339	Pre-Practicum Preparation
__ 5	SW	340	Practicum I
__ 3	SW	390	SW Practice: Groups
__ 3	SW	402	Soc Welfare Policies
__ 3	SW	410	SW Practice: Communities/Organiztns
__ 8	SW	440	Practicum II
__ 1	SW	474	Senior Seminar I
__ 1	SW	476	Senior Seminar II

Choose one Social Dimensions course:

	SOC	201	Inequalities in Society
__ 3	SOC	350	Race and Ethnicity
	SOC	353	International Social Issues
	SOC	355	Gender and Society

Choose one Career Prep course*:

	BTH	300	Bible/Culture/Justice
	BU	211	Principles of Management
	BU	430	Nonprofit Leadership & Mgmt
	COM	220	Interpersonal Communication
	COM	251	Intercultural Communication
	ICS	210	Cross-Cultural Life & Leadership
	PS	300	Washington Federal Seminar
	PS	351	Human Trafficking: Global/Reg Perspect.
	PS	352	Migration & Trafficking Policy
	PS	451	Trafficking, Evil, & Mission
	PSY	220	Stress Management
	PSY	305	Psych Perspect of Human Trafficking
	PSY	315	Stats for Behavioral Science
__ 3	PSY	320	Psych of Gender & Sexuality
	PSY	330	Cognitive psychology
	PSY	340	Forensic Psychology
	PSY	351	Theories of Psychotherapy
	PSY	352	Psychotherapy Skills
	PSY	355	Psych of Bereavement (1)
	PSY	360	Abnormal Psychology
	SOC	311	Sociology of Religion
	SOC	341	Marriage & Family
	SW	315	SW Pract: Child Welfare I
	SW	316	SW Pract: Child Welfare II
	SW	391	Independent Study (3)
	SW	393	Seminar (3)
	SW	435	Senior SW Practicum

**May also use another Social Dimensions course not used above.*

Plus FOUNDATIONS REQUIREMENTS (53)

(3 credits Foundations Integration satisfied by required major courses.)

Plus GENERAL ELECTIVES needed to reach minimum 124 credits (22)