

## SOCIAL WORK MAJOR & MINOR

### Major:

A minimum of 44 credit hours in social work constitutes a major. This includes internship-related classes (16 credit hours), practice courses (9 credit hours), policy courses (6 credit hours), and other course work (13 hours).

SOCW 151	Introduction to the Profession of Social Work	3 cr
SOCW 210	Social Welfare: Policy and Services	3 cr
SOCW 220	Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3 cr
SOCW 240	Communication and Counseling Skills	3 cr
SOCW 330	Vulnerable Populations: Color, Gender, and Orientation	3 cr
SOCW 340	Professional Intervention and Human Services	5 cr
SOCW 365	Introduction to Methods of Social Research	3 cr
SOCW 410	Analysis of Social Policy	3 cr
SOCW 455	Social Work Practice I	3 cr
SOCW 456	Social Work Practice II	3 cr
SOCW 485	Integrative Seminar I	6 cr
SOCW 486	Integrative Seminar II	5 cr
SOCW 493	Current Issues in Social Work	1 cr

Also required are BIO 125, PSY 110 and 201, SOC 110 and 220, one course in political science and one of the following courses: ECON 136, 221, 222, 233, GEO 201 or 320.

Educationally directed internships/field placements are required for social work majors and are completed while students are concurrently enrolled in SOCW 340, 485 and 486. These focused and supervised learning experiences are coordinated and approved by the Field Director. Juniors complete a 100 hour internship in the spring semester of their junior year and seniors complete a 450 hour internship in the fall and spring semesters of their senior year.

While work, volunteer, and other life experiences are encouraged and enhance student development and enrich learning, no academic credit can be given for social work courses or field education requirements.

Students are required to maintain an overall grade point average of 2.5 in required social work courses. Adherence to the NASW Code of Ethics and liability insurance for field practice are required.

The Double Major:

When planned early in the undergraduate academic experience, many students successfully pursue a double major with Social Work. Most common second majors include: Psychology, Sociology, Criminal Justice, Spanish, Theology, Family and Youth Ministry, Deaconess Program, and International Service. Other options are possible as well!

Minor:

A minimum of 15 credit hours in social work constitutes a minor. These credits may be selected from SOCW 151, 210, 220, 240, 330, 390, or 391. Other courses may be requested as substitutions for meeting the requirements of the Social Work minor. Substitutions are subject to review by the department chair.

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