

B.S.W. in Social Work

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Description

The B.S.W. degree prepares students to work as generalist social workers in a variety of settings with individuals, families, groups, communities, or organizations.

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 124

Goals/Mission Statement

The mission of the Department of Social Work, in keeping with the university's emphasis on excellence in teaching, research, and service, is to provide students with a sound base of knowledge, values, and skills from the generalist perspective, which equips baccalaureate students to work in a variety of entry-level social work positions and to prepare them to pursue graduate work in social work. This involves a thorough grounding of students in both theoretical and practice frameworks on which the professional development of social work practice is based. The faculty provides students with a sound liberal arts foundation emphasizing a commitment to diversity and social and economic justice with systems of all sizes.

General Education Requirements

See the General Education/Core Curriculum for the School of Applied Sciences.

An additional 18 hours is required in the following related subjects: 6 hours of history, PSY 311 (3 hours), POL 101 (3 hours), and 6 hours of social science electives (to be chosen from anthropology, economics, political science, psychology or sociology).

Course Requirements

The B.S.W. degree requires 47 semester hours of SW courses: SW 315, 316, 321, 322, 335, 339, 340, 326 or 402, 417, 436, 437, 438, 450, 495, and 496.

Other Academic Requirements

A minimum grade of C is required in all social work courses. No student may enroll in a social work course until a minimum grade of C has been obtained in prerequisite courses. No social work course may be taken more than two times.

A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required in the 47-hour block of required professional (SW) courses in order for a student to graduate with this degree.

Majors progress through the curriculum by passing courses in sequential fashion. Majors failing to reflect both an understanding and an endorsement of the Social Work Code of Ethics in course assignments, exams, and in required community service activities will be advised to seek another major.

