

SOCIAL WORK (BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK, B.S.W.)

Requirements

The Social Work Program's Mission Statement

The mission of the MWSU Social Work Program is to prepare undergraduate students for ethical and effective generalist social work practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities in Northwest Missouri and surrounding areas. Social work graduates will value human dignity, social and economic justice, and human and cultural diversity. They will competently serve individuals from diverse backgrounds including persons who are poor, vulnerable, and oppressed, and living in rural areas. They will work to reduce poverty, oppression, and discrimination by making government and social service agencies more just and responsive to consumer needs. In addition to preparing competent social workers, MWSU's Social Work Program is dedicated to offering its professional expertise and academic resources to support community efforts to enhance human well-being.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
General Studies		
Students must complete General Studies courses (http://catalog.missouriwestern.edu/undergraduate/university-information/academic-standards-regulations/baccalaureate-degree/#bachelor-general-studies)		42-47
Major Requirements		
SOC 230	Social Problems	3
SWK 250	Introduction to Social Work	4
SWK 320	Philosophy and Policy in Social Services I	3
SWK 330	Human Behavior and the Social Environment I	3
SWK 340	Human Behavior and the Social Environment II	3
SWK 350	Social Work Practice I	4
SWK 360	Social Work Practice II	3
SWK 415	Social Work Practice III	4
SWK 420	Philosophy and Policy in Social Services II	3
SWK 480	Practicum in Social Work	10
SWK 485	Social Work Practicum Seminar	2
Applied Learning Research Requirement		
GBA 210	Business Statistics I	3
or MAT 111	Introductory Statistics	
or MAT 111E	Introductory Statistics	
or NUR 314	Quantitative Analysis for Health Care Research	
or PSY 300	Introductory Psychological Statistics	
SOC 460	Methods of Social Research	3
or LAW 325	Understanding Research in Criminal Justice	
SWK 470	Program Evaluation	3
Diversity Requirement		
SOC 400	Racial and Ethnic Relations	3
Select three credit hours from the following:		3
EDU 308	Multicultural Education	

PED 222	Human Sexuality
PSC 317	Gender and Politics
PSY 222	Psychology of Gender
REL 250	Religions of East Asia and Oceania
REL 251	Religions of the West
REL 252	Religions of South Asia and Africa
SOC 325	World of Islam: People, Cultures & Societies
SOC 330	The Family
Restricted Electives	
Select nine credit hours from the following:	
LAT 335	Interpersonal Conflict Resolution
SWK 260	Introduction to Aging Studies
SWK 280	Mental Health and Social Work
SWK 270	Selected Topics in Social Work
SWK 325	Family and Child Welfare
SWK 345	Substance Use and Disorders
SWK 365	Death And Dying
SWK 425	Bridge to Practicum
SWK 450	Independent Research/Project
SWK 465	Advanced Research Project

- 1 PSY 200 Intermediate Psychology is a prerequisite for PSY 300 Introductory Psychological Statistics
- 2 SOC 460 Methods of Social Research requires a completion of nine credit hours in Sociology with at least three credit hours numbered 300 or higher.

NOTE: Students are expected to meet the professional and academic standards of conduct.

Program Graduation Requirements

1. Earn a grade of C or higher in all SWK prefix coursework in the major.
2. Earn an overall GPA of at least 2.5 and a major GPA of at least 2.0.

University Graduation Requirements

1. Earn a minimum of 120 credit hours (100 level and higher, maximum of 6 CED credit hours applicable).
2. Earn a minimum of 30 credit hours in upper-division courses. Lower-division transfer courses accepted as meeting upper-division departmental course requirements cannot be used to fulfill this requirement.
3. Earn 30 of the last 45 credit hours at MWSU in institutional coursework (exclusive of credit by examination).
4. Participate in required departmental and campus wide assessments.
5. Fulfill the Missouri Constitution requirement.
6. Successfully pass the Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement exam.