

# Social Work (SWk)

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### Freshman Year

First Semester		Credits
ENGL 110	College Composition I	3
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 110	Introduction to Sociology	3
Essential Studies Approved Lab Science		4
Essential Studies Approved Humanities course		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

### Second Semester

POLS 115	American Government I	3
ENGL 130	Composition II: Writing for Public Audiences	3
Essential Studies Approved Fine Arts course		3
Essential Studies Approved Fine Arts or Humanities course		3
Essential Studies Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

### Sophomore Year

First Semester		Credits
SWK 255	Introduction to Social Work	4
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
Program Elective		3
Statistics Course		3
Program Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

### Second Semester

SWK 257	Human Behavior and the Social Environment I	3
Program Elective		3
Program Elective		3
General Electives		6
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

### Junior Year

First Semester		Credits
<b>*Admission to the Social Work Program Required*</b>		
SWK 317	Social Work Research	3
SWK 357	Human Behavior and the Social Environment II	3
Social Work Elective <small>See advisor for available options</small>		3
Program Elective		3
Program Elective		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>

### Second Semester

SWK 424	Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families	3
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SWK 434	Generalist Social Work Practice with Task and Treatment Groups	3
Program Elective		3
General Electives		6

**Credits 15**

### Senior Year

#### First Semester

SWK 442	Social Policy	3
SWK 454	Generalist Social Work Practice with Communities and Organizations	3
General Electives		10

**Credits 16**

#### Second Semester

SWK 481	Field Education I	5
SWK 482	Field Education Seminar I	1
SWK 483	Field Education II	5
SWK 484	Field Education Seminar II	1

**Credits 12**

**Total Credits 120**

This is a sample curriculum. Please consult with your advisor for course options.

Students must complete enough electives to bring total credit hours up to the 120. Special Emphasis courses can fulfill an essential studies requirement (example-History 104, US History, will count toward the US Diversity as well as the Humanities area). Please Note: Every student must fulfill all University, Departmental, and Essential Studies requirements. (<https://und.edu/academics/essential-studies/>)

### SWK 255. Introduction to Social Work. 4 Credits.

An introduction to the social work profession including: the history and development of the profession, generalist practice, the problem-solving process, the strengths perspective, social work values and ethics, levels of practice (micro, mezzo, and macro), and different areas of social work practice. 40 hours of volunteer/community experience. F,S,SS.

### SWK 257. Human Behavior and the Social Environment I. 3 Credits.

Application of theories and knowledge from the liberal arts. Application of social work theory across the life span. An emphasis on social systems theory as the conceptual framework. Biopsychosocial-cultural aspects of human development. Corequisite: PSYC 111 and SOC 110. SS.

### SWK 311. Child Welfare. 3 Credits.

Overview of child welfare history, Indian Child Welfare Act, children's rights, Child Protection Services, Family Preservation Case Management, Foster Care Case Management, Juvenile Court procedures, Adoptions Services. S.

### SWK 313. Orientation to Gerontology. 3 Credits.

Introduction to gerontology including an overview of the field of gerontology, theories of aging, interdisciplinary teaming, demographics, and programs. F.

### SWK 315. Substance Use and Abuse. 2 Credits.

Introduction to the dynamics of drug addiction and related issues, with special emphasis on alcohol. S.

### SWK 316. Interprofessional Health Care. 1 Credit.

The emphasis is on learning to work effectively on a team, and the unique contributions of different professions, using a shared patient-centered approach in health care delivery. Disciplines included: social work, physical therapy, nursing, occupational therapy, medicine, communication science disorders, nutrition and dietetics, and counseling psychology. Prerequisite: Admission to the BSSW Program. S/U grading. F,S.

### SWK 317. Social Work Research. 3 Credits.

Provides students with an understanding of basic qualitative and quantitative research methods. Students gain and apply skills related to the critical evaluation of research, and how to utilize research for practice. This course also provides students with foundational knowledge and skills necessary to understand and undertake practice evaluation in field placements and in entry-level practice settings. Prerequisite: Admission to the BSSW Program. Prerequisite or Corequisite: Statistics. F,S.

**SWK 318. Mental Health. 2 Credits.**

Overview of the mental health service delivery system with a focus on case management skills and the role of social work in the provision of mental health services. F.

**SWK 357. Human Behavior and the Social Environment II. 3 Credits.**

Application of social work theory and research across the life span, with social systems theory as the conceptual framework. Theories regarding development of groups, communities and organizations. Prerequisite: Admission in the BSSW Program. F,S.

**SWK 397. Cooperative Education. 1-6 Credits.**

Individually supervised experiences in a human service agency. Integrates social work theory with practice. Contact the Cooperative Education Office. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. S/U grading. F,S,SS.

**SWK 424. Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families. 3 Credits.**

Generalist practice with individuals and families is an introduction to social work practice theory with an emphasis on general systems and ecological perspectives on practice. Student will develop knowledge and skills to engage, assess, intervene, and evaluate social work practice with individuals and families. Prerequisite: Admission to the BSSW Program. Prerequisite or Corequisite: SWK 357. F,S,SS.

**SWK 434. Generalist Social Work Practice with Task and Treatment Groups. 3 Credits.**

Generalist practice with task and treatment groups within the context of evidence-based interventions. Students will learn group stages and processes, group development and intervention strategies. Students will acquire knowledge and skills to engage, assess, plan, intervene and evaluate groups in social work practice. Prerequisite: Admission to the BSSW program. Prerequisite or Corequisite: SWK 357. F,S,SS.

**SWK 442. Social Policy. 3 Credits.**

Provides knowledge of social policy, and develops critical analysis skills to advance social and economic well-being and understanding of the interaction between research, practice and policy. Prerequisite: Admission in the BSSW Program. F,S.

**SWK 454. Generalist Social Work Practice with Communities and Organizations. 3 Credits.**

An introduction to generalist social work practice with communities and organizations within the context of evidence-based interventions grounded in social work theory. Community assessment involves synthesizing multiple sources of data and evaluating aspects of communities and organization. Students develop skills to engage, assess, intervene, and evaluate communities and organizations. Prerequisite: Admission to the BSSW program. Prerequisite or Corequisite: SWK 317. F,S.

**SWK 481. Field Education I. 5 Credits.**

Provides learning opportunities in generalist social work practice emphasizing the core competencies and associated behaviors. Connects the theoretical and conceptual contributions of the classroom with the practical world of the internship setting. Also can be taken with SWK 483 for a one-semester block placement in an approved human service organization. Prerequisite: Admission to field program. Corequisite: SWK 482. S/U grading. F,S,SS.

**SWK 482. Field Education Seminar I. 1 Credit.**

Integrates classroom content with actual practice in the field internship setting. Corequisite: SWK 481. F,S,SS.

**SWK 483. Field Education II. 5 Credits.**

Provides learning opportunities in generalist social work practice emphasizing the core competencies and associated behaviors. Connects the theoretical and conceptual contributions of the classroom with the practical world of the internship setting. Corequisite: SWK 484. Prerequisite or Corequisite: SWK 481. S/U grading. F,S,SS.

**SWK 484. Field Education Seminar II. 1 Credit.**

Integrates classroom content with actual practice in the field internship setting. Corequisite: SWK 483. F,S,SS.

**SWK 489. Senior Honors Thesis. 1-3 Credits.**

Supervised independent study culminating in a thesis. Repeatable to a maximum 6 credits. Repeatable to 6.00 credits. F,S.

**SWK 493A. Special Topics. 1-3 Credits.**

Individually or group supervised research or interdepartmental studies and seminars in social work related areas. Repeatable to a maximum 9 credits. Regular grading. Prerequisite: SWK 255 or consent of instructor. Repeatable to 9.00 credits. F,S,SS.

**SWK 493B. Special Topics. 1-3 Credits.**

Individually or group supervised research or interdepartmental studies and seminars in social work related areas. Repeatable to a maximum 9 credits. S-U grading. Repeatable to 9.00 credits. S/U grading. F,S,SS.