

Social Work A.A. (SOWA)

This program is designed for students preparing to enter a baccalaureate program in social work at four-year colleges or universities. Social workers perform work in three major areas: child, family and schools; medical and public health; and mental health and substance abuse. This program offers coursework that addresses the values, knowledge, and skills to help people obtain services; counsel individuals, families and groups; help communities or groups improve social and health services; and pursue social justice by participating in legislative processes. The program emphasizes the development of communication, problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

Upon successful completion of this program, graduates will be able to:

- demonstrate academic and personal preparation for transfer to a four-year college/university offering the B.S.W. degree.
- demonstrate the ability to use effectively communication, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills in liberal arts disciplines.
- demonstrate the knowledge and value of cultural-competencies which promotes the strengths and well-being of a diverse society.
- demonstrate an understanding of social work as a profession by exploring the historical influences and social values impacting current social issues and social policies.

Students should consult the catalog of the four-year college or university to which he or she plans to transfer to ensure that degree requirements are being properly met. Transfer information for this program is on file in the Transfer and University Center. For more information, contact an academic advisor or counselor.

First Semester

		Credits
ENG 105	Research and Composition	3
HUS 110	Introduction to Human Services	3
HUS 120	Interviewing and Case Management	3
PSY 140	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 150	Introduction to Sociology	3
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Second Semester

ENG 106	Introduction to Literature	3
HIS 124	United States Since Reconstruction	3
HUS 160	Introduction to Counseling Skills and Theories	3
HUS 170	Systems and Processes	3
MAT 150	Probability and Statistics	3
PSY 106	Writing in APA	1
		16

Third Semester

BIO 105	Fundamentals of Biology	4
ENG 111	Speech	3
HUS 180	Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3
PSC 141	American Federal Government	3
SOC 253	Diversity and Inequality	3
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Fourth Semester

BIO 137	Introduction to Environmental Science	4
PHI 205	Introduction to Ethics	3
SOC 251	The Family	3
Elective*	Program Elective	3
		13
Credit Total		60

Recommendations: Students should consult the catalog of the four-year college or university to which he or she plans to transfer and consult with the institution's Social Work department to ensure that electives of the degree requirements are properly met.

***Program Electives:**

HUS 115, 150, 210, 240; SOC 151, 258; PSY 145, 242, 243

Prior Learning Assessment: Previous job training, certificates and work experience that may qualify for college credit (*see academic advisor*).

Gateway Courses: Based on placement testing in reading, writing and math, these prerequisite courses may have to be taken before placement in College English or Mathematics beginning the first semester and concurrently.

RSS 099	Basic Skills Reading	3
RSS 100	Critical Reading	3
ENG 099	Basic Skills Writing	3
ENG 100	Fundamentals of Writing	3
MAT 090	Mathematical Literacy	6
ESL 251	English for Academic Purpose	6
		(Required for ESL students only.)

Please note, taking gateway courses will increase your time for completion.