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College of Health Science & Professions **Bachelor of Science in Social Work (B.S.W)**

Program Description

The undergraduate program in social work prepares students for beginning generalist social work practice at the undergraduate level which involves the capacity to apply knowledge, skills and values to assess a range of situations and the ability to work with individuals, groups, larger organizations, and communities from a wide variety of perspectives. Students will complete course work in human behavior and the social environment, social welfare history and policy, research, social work practice methods, and field instruction. As students progress, they will develop the skills for intervening at a generalist level with individuals, groups, organizations, families and communities. Upon graduation, students will be prepared as a baccalaureate-level social work practitioner with a strong foundation in liberal arts. Our program has been accredited by the Council on Social Work Education since 1974. Over hundreds of students have graduated from the program since initial accreditation.

Program Requirements

Admission to the major is divided into two stages: pre-major and major. First year students may be admitted as pre-majors, other Ohio University students and transfer students from other institutions, are required to submit fully completed "Application for Major Status" including a personal essay, documentation of human service experience and two letters of reference to the department administrator in 416 Morton Hall by the end of the second full week of fall or spring semester. To be considered for admission, students are required to have a minimum overall GPA of 2.5. In addition, they must have completed the following:

1. SW 1000 & SW 2601 with a minimum grade of 'C' in both courses
2. BIOS 1030, PSY 1010, PSY 2110, and PSY 2410, as well as one course in any of the two areas: Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, or Sociology
3. ENG 1510 & MATH Tier I (MATH 1200 recommended)
4. A paid or volunteer experience in the area of social work (20 hours)

Opportunities Upon Graduation

A bachelors degree in social work allows the graduate to pursue employment in many different fields, including child welfare, mental health services, foster care and residential treatment, adoption services, and in nursing homes, schools, governmental agencies and medical facilities. Social workers at the bachelors level may work with many different populations, including children, adolescents, families, adults, and elderly persons. People with mental health/behavioral health issues, developmental disabilities, veterans, individuals experiencing domestic violence and chronic illness and many other individuals and groups frequently seek services from agencies where social workers are employed. Additionally, social workers may be employed in agencies that advocate for clients, and develop and implement social policy based on client needs. Social workers are also employed as administrators in many social service agencies and organizations. Surveys of graduates show high levels of satisfaction with the educational program and high employment rates in the field of social work and human services.

Social Work

1st Year - suggested courses		2nd Year - suggested courses	
SW 1000 Intro to Social Work	3	SW 2601 Social Welfare Overview & Trends	3
ENG 1510 Freshman Composition	3	PSY 2110 Stats for the Behavioral Sciences	4
MATH 1200 College Algebra	4	PSY 2410 Child & Adolescent Psychology	3
BIOS 1030 Human Biology	3	ECON ****	3
PSY 1010 General Psychology	3	SOC ****	3
POLS ****	3	TIER II Humanities (2HL)	3
ANTH ****	3	Tier II Natural Science (2NS)	3
Natural Science (approved)	3	Social Science (approved)	3
Humanities (approved)	3	Humanities (approved)	3
Electives	3	Electives	3
31cr		31cr	

3rd Year - suggested courses		4th Year - suggested courses	
SW 3602 Social Welfare Policy	3	SW 4801 Social Work Practice I	3
SW 3701 Dynamics of Human Behavior	3	SW 4802 Social Work Practice II	3
SW 3801 Intro to Social Work Practice Methods	3	SW 4921 Field Seminar I	2
SW 3940 Research Methods in Social Work	3	SW 4922 Field Seminar II	2
ENG ****J Junior Composition	3	SW 4923 Field Practicum I	6
PSY 2710 Abnormal Psychology	3	SW 4924 Field Practicum II	6
PSY **** (Psychology minor)	3	PSY **** (Psychology minor)	3
Natural Science (approved)	3	Electives	5
Elective	6		
30cr		30cr	

*Please note, the above classes represent a sample curriculum for the Social Work program at Ohio University Zanesville. Students should consult their advisor and semester course offerings to determine the appropriate class schedule each term

**For additional information about the BS in Social Work, please feel free to contact Dr. Lorena Fulton at 740-588-2557, or by email at fultonl@ohio.edu