

## SOCIAL WORK ACADEMIC CURRICULUM MAP

An academic map is a suggested two-year schedule of courses based on degree requirements. This sample schedule serves as a general guideline to help build a full schedule each term. Milestones, courses, and special requirements necessary for timely progress to complete a major are designated to keep you on track to graduate in two years.

**This map is not a substitute for academic advisement**—contact your advisor if you have any questions about scheduling or about your degree requirements. Also see the current academic catalog for a complete list of requirements and electives. Note: Requirements are continually under revision, and there is no guarantee they will not be changed or revoked; contact an advisor, the department and/or program area for current information.

First Year					
First Semester			Second Semester		
Course	Credit Hours	Notes	Course	Credit Hours	Notes
English 010 ENGL 101 or ENGL 103	3		English 010 ENGL 102	3	
Communication 020	3		Natural & Physical Sciences 040	5	
Math & Statistics 030	3		Arts & Humanities 060	3	
Arts & Humanities 060	3		SWK 102 Basic Helping Skills	3	
SWK 101 Introduction to Social Work	3		SWK 103 Basic Helping Skills Experience	1	
Total Hours	15		Total Hours	15	
Second Year					
First Semester			Second Semester		
Course	Credit Hours	Notes	Course	Credit Hours	Notes
Social and Behavioral Science 050	3		Social and Behavioral Science 050	3	
Personal & Professional Behavior 070	3		Personal & Professional Behavior 070	3	
General Elective	3		General Elective	3	
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General Elective	3		General Elective	3	
Total Hours	15		Total Hours	15	

**You may choose to attend a summer term to reduce your load during fall or spring terms but still stay on track to graduate in two years. NOTE: Learning Support courses will alter the sequences on this map.**

**Systemwide General Education Key:**

010 English                      020 Communication              030 Math & Statistics              040 Natural & Physical Sciences  
 050 Social & Behavioral Sciences      060 Arts & Humanities              070 Personal & Professional Behavior

General Electives can be found on page 53  
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# SOCIAL WORK

## ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

If you're looking for a career with meaning, action, diversity, satisfaction, and an abundance of options, consider social work. Social workers are people who care about people, who want to make things better, who want to relieve suffering, who want their work to make a difference (Careers.socialworkers.org). Social workers work in social services, hospitals, mental health facilities, hospice centers, and schools. They work with children, the elderly, veterans, people with medical, behavioral, and mental health issues, individuals with substance abuse issues, and those on probation or parole. Social workers act as case workers, administrators, and counselors.

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**Recommended Courses:**

- PSYC 101 Social & Behavioral Sciences
- SOCI 201 General Elective
- SOCI 203 General Elective
- SOCI 207 General Elective

**After Graduation**

This Associates degree is designed for students who plan to transfer to a four-year college. Entry level positions in the field are available with an Associates degree. However, there are greater opportunities for those with further education. Accredited Bachelor's programs prepare students for Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW) certification, which expands employment opportunities. A graduate degree in the field opens the doors to becoming a counselor with private practice options.

Overall employment of social workers is projected to grow 12 percent from 2014 to 2024, faster than the average for all occupations.

\*Students should be aware that criminal background checks are required for most social work positions, as well as for Bachelor's and graduate education programs. A criminal conviction or past infraction does not always mean that licensure will be denied. It can depend on the seriousness of the crime and other circumstances or mitigating factors.

For information on wages, job outlook, and more see:  
<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/community-and-social-service/mobile/social-workers.htm>

<u>Concentration Requirements</u>		<u>7</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	SWK 101 Introduction to Social Work	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	SWK 102 Basic Helping Skills	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	SWK 103 Basic Helping Skills Experience	1

<u>General Education Requirement</u>		<u>35</u>
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<b>English</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 101 English Composition I	or
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 103 English Composition I with Review	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 102 English Composition II	3

<b>Communication</b>		
Choose one class		
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3

<b>Math &amp; Statistics</b>		
Choose one class		
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3

<b>Natural &amp; Physical Science</b>		
Choose one class		
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	5

<b>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences</b>		
Choose two classes from different subject areas		
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3

<b>Arts &amp; Humanities</b>		
Choose two classes from different subject areas		
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3

<b>Personal &amp; Professional Behavior</b>		
Choose two classes		
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3

<u>General Electives</u>		<u>18</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3
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<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	3

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