

SOCIAL WORK, BSW

FOUR-YEAR PLAN

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

This Sample Four-Year Plan is a tool to assist students and their advisor(s). Students should use it—along with their DARS report, the Degree Planner, and Course Search & Enroll tools—to make their own four-year plan based on their placement scores, credit for transferred courses and approved examinations, and individual interests. As students become involved in athletics, honors, research, student organizations, study abroad, volunteer experiences, and/or work, they might adjust the order of their courses to accommodate these experiences. Students will likely revise their own four-year plan several times during college.

Students wishing to apply to the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program (<https://socwork.wisc.edu/admissions/bsw-application/>) must do so in spring of Junior year.

First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
Communication A		3 Ethnic Studies	3-4
Quantitative Reasoning A	3-4	Literature Breadth	4
Biological Science Breadth		3 Physical Science Breadth	3
Language (if needed)	4	Language (if needed)	4
	14		14

Second Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOC WORK 205		4 SOC WORK 206	4
Humanities Breadth	4	Communication B	4
Literature Breadth		4 Science Breadth	3
Elective		3 Electives	5
INTER-LS 210 ¹	1		
	16		16

Third Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOC WORK 640 (fall-only) ²		3 SOC WORK 457 (spring only)	3
Social Science Concentration ²	3-4	STAT 301, 371, PSYCH 210, or SOC 360 (also meets Quantitative Reasoning B)	3-4
Science Breadth		3 SOC WORK elective (Intermediate/Advanced-level)	3-4
Electives (Intermediate/Advanced-level)	6	Social Science Concentration ²	3-4
		Elective (Intermediate/Advanced-level)	3
	15		15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOC WORK 400 (fall only)		4 SOC WORK 401 (spring only)	4
SOC WORK 441 (fall only)		3 SOC WORK 612 (spring only) ³	2
SOC WORK 442 (fall only)		2 SOC WORK 650 (spring only) ³	3
Electives (Intermediate/Advanced-level)	6	SOC WORK elective (Intermediate/Advanced-level)	3-4
		Elective (Intermediate/Advanced-level)	2-3
	15		15

Total Credits 120

Note: SOC WORK 100 is a pre-major elective course that can be taken in the first year, if offered; it is not required for the major.

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The College encourages students to take INTER-LS 210 in their second year (or anytime); it is recommended but not required.

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SOC WORK 640 counts towards the BSW ethnic studies requirement, providing three of the six credits needed.

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SOC WORK 612 and SOC WORK 650 are often available in the summer. Check with an Advisor regarding availability and how summer courses might fit into your schedule.