

SOCIAL WELFARE, B.S.

The Sandra Rosenbaum School of Social Work core mission is to enhance human well-being and promote human rights and social and economic justice for people who are disadvantaged to achieve an equitable, healthy, and productive society. At a time when the intersection of increased attention on racial injustice and the COVID-19 pandemic, which is disproportionately impacting people of color, social work seeks to actively confront racism.

Undergraduates in the Sandra Rosenbaum School of Social Work receive a liberal arts education in the social and behavioral sciences and their application to human problems that prepares them to be informed citizens involved in human services or social welfare problems and policies. Students majoring in social welfare leverage their understanding of the historical context of social work and the systems and policies that underlie our society, and learn strategies to address social, racial, economic, and environmental justice and political contexts. Students take courses in a variety of social sciences to enable them to view social welfare in its broad social, economic, and political contexts. The social welfare major offers an overview of current social problems and prepares students for further academic study or for employment in selected human service arenas.

Social work's special contribution rests on an established body of knowledge, values, and skills pertinent to understanding human relationships and the interaction between people as individuals, in families, groups, organizations, and communities. Social work courses offer a theoretical understanding of social problems and an introduction to practice methods used by social workers. The curriculum covers areas such as aging, family and child welfare, poverty, mental health, developmental disabilities, alcohol and drug abuse, diversity, race and ethnicity, criminal justice, oppression and social, economic and environmental justice, and at-risk populations.

Graduates of the Social Welfare major go on to work at non-profit organizations, and federal, state, and local governments. Many alums go on to complete graduate degrees in Social Work, Counseling, Sociology, Psychology, Gender and Women's Studies, and Law, among other degrees in the Social Sciences and beyond.

The School's main undergraduate Guide page (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/social-work/>) provides a broader overview of the School and its mission.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Students in social welfare major and BSW program often choose from a variety of certificate programs (<https://www.wisc.edu/academics/certificates/>) available. Common certificates include: Afro American Studies, American Indian Studies, Business, Chicano/a and Latino/a Studies, Criminal Justice Certificate, Gender & Women Studies, Global Health, LGBTQ Studies, South Asian Studies and South East Asian Studies, among others.

HOW TO GET IN

Students can declare the social welfare major as early as the freshman year as long as they are enrolled in SOC WORK 205 and/or SOC WORK 206. To declare the major, students should make an appointment (<https://socwork.wisc.edu/students/advising/>) and meet

with one of the social welfare academic advisors at the School of Social Work.

REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduestudytext>) section of the *Guide*.

General Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breadth—Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits • Breadth—Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits • Breadth—Social Studies: 3 credits • Communication Part A & Part B * • Ethnic Studies * • Quantitative Reasoning Part A & Part B *
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* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.S.)

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in the College of Letters & Science must complete all of the requirements below. The College of Letters & Science allows this major to be paired with either the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degree requirements.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics Complete two courses of 3+ credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level in MATH, COMP SCI, or STAT subjects. A maximum of one course in each of COMP SCI and STAT subjects counts toward this requirement.

Foreign Language Complete the third unit of a foreign language.

L&S Breadth Complete:

- 12 credits of Humanities, which must include at least 6 credits of Literature; and
- 12 credits of Social Science; and
- 12 credits of Natural Science, which must include 6 credits of Biological Science and 6 credits of Physical Science.

Liberal Arts and Science Coursework	Complete at least 108 credits.
Depth of Intermediate/Advanced Coursework	Complete at least 60 credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level.
Major	Declare and complete at least one major.
Total Credits	Complete at least 120 credits.
UW-Madison Experience	Complete both: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 credits in residence, overall, and • 30 credits in residence after the 86th credit.
Quality of Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.000 in all coursework at UW–Madison • 2.000 in Intermediate/Advanced level coursework at UW–Madison

NON–L&S STUDENTS PURSUING AN L&S MAJOR

Non–L&S students who have permission from their school/college to pursue an additional major within L&S only need to fulfill the major requirements. They do not need to complete the L&S Degree Requirements above.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR

Complete a minimum of 32 credits, to be attained via the requirements detailed below.

SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY & SERVICES

Code	Title	Credits
Complete both:		
SOC WORK 205	Introduction to the Field of Social Work	4
SOC WORK 206	Introduction to Social Policy	4

SOCIAL SCIENCE CONCENTRATION

Complete two Intermediate or Advanced level courses from **one** of the following social science concentration areas available from ten departments:

Afro-American Studies

Code	Title	Credits
AFROAMER 303	Blacks, Film, and Society	3
AFROAMER/HISTORY 321	Afro-American History Since 1900	3-4
AFROAMER/GEN&WS 323	Gender, Race and Class: Women in U.S. History	3
AFROAMER/GEN&WS 333	Black Feminisms	3
AFROAMER/HISTORY 347	The Caribbean and its Diasporas	3
AFROAMER/HISTORY 393	Slavery, Civil War, and Reconstruction, 1848-1877	3-4
AFROAMER/ASIAN AM 443	Mutual Perceptions of Racial Minorities	3
AFROAMER/HIST SCI/MED HIST 523	Race, American Medicine and Public Health	3
AFROAMER/ED POL 567	History of African American Education	3

AFROAMER 631	Colloquium in Afro-American History	3
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American Indian Studies

Code	Title	Credits
AMER IND/ENVIR ST 306	Indigenous Peoples and the Environment	3
AMER IND/ANTHRO 314	Indians of North America	3
AMER IND/ENVIR ST/GEOG 345	Managing Nature in Native North America	3
AMER IND/ANTHRO 353	Indians of the Western Great Lakes	3
AMER IND/LSC 444	Native American Environmental Issues and the Media	3
AMER IND 450	Issues in American Indian Studies	3
AMER IND/HISTORY 490	American Indian History	3-4
AMER IND/HDFS 522	American Indian Families	3
AMER IND/C&E SOC/SOC 578	Poverty and Place	3

Anthropology

Code	Title	Credits
ANTHRO 300	Cultural Anthropology: Theory and Ethnography	3
ANTHRO/AMER IND 314	Indians of North America	3
ANTHRO 321	The Emergence of Human Culture	3
ANTHRO/RELIG ST 343	Anthropology of Religion	3-4
ANTHRO 345	Family, Kin and Community in Anthropological Perspective	3
ANTHRO 348	Economic Anthropology	3-4
ANTHRO 350	Political Anthropology	3-4
ANTHRO/AMER IND 353	Indians of the Western Great Lakes	3
ANTHRO 365	Medical Anthropology	3
ANTHRO/GEN&WS 443	Anthropology by Women	3
ANTHRO 448	Anthropology of Law	3
ANTHRO 477	Anthropology, Environment, and Development	3
ANTHRO 545	Psychological Anthropology	3
ANTHRO/ED POL 570	Anthropology and Education	3

Asian American Studies

Code	Title	Credits
ASIAN AM/SOC 220	Ethnic Movements in the United States	3-4
ASIAN AM/ASIAN/HISTORY 246	Southeast Asian Refugees of the "Cold" War	4
ASIAN AM 276		3-4

ASIAN AM/ AFROAMER 443	Mutual Perceptions of Racial Minorities	3
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Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies

Code	Title	Credits
CHICLA/ POLI SCI 231	Politics in Multi-Cultural Societies	3-4
CHICLA/GEN&WS/ HISTORY 245	Chicana and Latina History	3
CHICLA 301	Chicana/o and Latina/o History	3
CHICLA/ POLI SCI 302	Mexican-American Politics	3-4
CHICLA 315	Racial Formation and Whiteness	3
CHICLA/CURRIC 321	Chicano/Latino Educational Justice	3
CHICLA/ COUN PSY 331	Immigrant Health and Wellbeing	3
CHICLA/ GEN&WS 332	Latinas: Self Identity and Social Change	3
CHICLA/HISTORY/ LACIS/POLI SCI 355	Labor in the Americas: US & Mexico in Comparative & Historical Perspective	3
CHICLA/HISTORY/ POLI SCI 422	Latino History and Politics	3
CHICLA/ HISTORY 435	Colony, Nation, and Minority: The Puerto Ricans' World	3
CHICLA/LEGAL ST/ SOC 440	Ethnicity, Race, and Justice	3-4
CHICLA/LEGAL ST/ SOC 443	Immigration, Crime, and Enforcement	3-4
CHICLA/SOC 470	Sociodemographic Analysis of Mexican Migration	3
CHICLA 501	Chican@ and Latin@ Social Movements in the U.S.	3
CHICLA/ COUN PSY 525	Dimensions of Latin@ Mental Health Services	3

Economics

Code	Title	Credits
ECON/FINANCE 300	Introduction to Finance	3
ECON 301	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory	4
ECON 302	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory	4
ECON/HIST SCI 305	Development of Economic Thought	3-4
ECON/A A E/ REAL EST/ URB R PL 306	The Real Estate Process	3
ECON 311	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory - Advanced Treatment	3
ECON 312	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory - Advanced Treatment	3
ECON/A A E/ ENVIR ST 343	Environmental Economics	3-4
ECON 355	The Economics of Growing-up and Getting Old	3-4
ECON 364	Survey of International Economics	3-4
ECON 370	Economics of Poverty and Inequality	3

ECON/REAL EST/ URB R PL 420	Urban and Regional Economics	3
ECON 441	Analytical Public Finance	3-4
ECON 448	Human Resources and Economic Growth	3-4
ECON/ENVIR ST/ POLI SCI/ URB R PL 449	Government and Natural Resources	3-4
ECON 450	Wages and the Labor Market	3-4
ECON/HISTORY 466	The American Economy Since 1865	3-4
ECON 467	International Industrial Organizations	3-4
ECON/A A E 474	Economic Problems of Developing Areas	3
ECON 475	Economics of Growth	3-4
ECON 508	Wealth and Income	3
ECON 521	Game Theory and Economic Analysis	3-4
ECON 522	Law and Economics	3-4
ECON/PHILOS 524	Philosophy and Economics	3
ECON/A A E/ F&W ECOL 531	Natural Resource Economics	3
ECON/POP HLTH/ PUB AFFR 548	The Economics of Health Care	3-4
ECON 623	Population Economics	3-4
ECON/REAL EST/ URB R PL 641	Housing Economics and Policy	3
ECON/SOC 663	Population and Society	3
ECON/A A E/ ENVIR ST/ URB R PL 671	Energy Economics	3

Gender and Women's Studies

Code	Title	Credits
GEN&WS/C&E SOC/ SOC 215	Gender and Work in Rural America	3
GEN&WS/CHICLA/ HISTORY 245	Chicana and Latina History	3
GEN&WS/ AFROAMER 323	Gender, Race and Class: Women in U.S. History	3
GEN&WS/ AFROAMER 326	Race and Gender in Post-World War II U.S. Society	3
GEN&WS/ CHICLA 332	Latinas: Self Identity and Social Change	3
GEN&WS/ AFROAMER 333	Black Feminisms	3
GEN&WS 342	Transgender Studies	3-4
GEN&WS/ HISTORY 353	Women and Gender in the U.S. to 1870	3-4
GEN&WS/ HISTORY 354	Women and Gender in the U.S. Since 1870	3-4
GEN&WS 420	Women in Cross-Societal Perspective	3
GEN&WS/ LEGAL ST 422	Women and the Law	3

GEN&WS 424	Women's International Human Rights	3	POLI SCI 359	American Foreign Policy	3-4
GEN&WS/LEGAL ST/ SOC 425	Crime, Gender and Justice	3	POLI SCI 408	The American Presidency	3-4
GEN&WS/ POLI SCI 429	Gender and Politics in Comparative Perspective	3-4	POLI SCI 410	Citizenship, Democracy, and Difference	4
GEN&WS 441	Contemporary Feminist Theories	3	POLI SCI 411	The American Constitution : Powers and Structures of Government	4
GEN&WS/ ANTHRO 443	Anthropology by Women	3	POLI SCI 412	The American Constitution: Rights and Civil Liberties	4
GEN&WS 446	Queer of Color Critique	3	POLI SCI 414	The Supreme Court as a Political Institution	3
GEN&WS/ POLI SCI 469	Women and Politics	3-4	POLI SCI 415	The Separation of Powers and Federal Courts	3
GEN&WS/SOC 477	Feminism and Sociological Theory	3	POLI SCI 416	Community Power and Grass Roots Politics	3
GEN&WS/ HISTORY 519	Sexuality, Modernity and Social Change	3	POLI SCI 417	The American Judicial System	3-4
GEN&WS/ PSYCH 522	Psychology of Women and Gender	3	POLI SCI 421	The Challenge of Democratization	3-4
GEN&WS 534	Gender, Sexuality, and Reproduction: Public Health Perspectives	3	POLI SCI/CHICLA/ HISTORY 422	Latino History and Politics	3
GEN&WS/ INTL ST 535	Women's Global Health and Human Rights	3	POLI SCI/ GEN&WS 429	Gender and Politics in Comparative Perspective	3-4
GEN&WS 536	Queering Sexuality Education	3	POLI SCI/ INTL ST 431	Contentious Politics	3-4
GEN&WS/ HIST SCI 537	Childbirth in the United States	3	POLI SCI 432	Comparative Legal Institutions	3-4
GEN&WS 547	Theorizing Intersectionality	3	POLI SCI/ INTL ST 434	The Politics of Human Rights	3-4
GEN&WS/ ED POL 560	Gender and Education	3	POLI SCI/ INTL ST 439	The Comparative Study of Genocide	3-4
GEN&WS/SOC 611	Gender, Science and Technology	3	POLI SCI/ECON/ ENVIR ST/ URB R PL 449	Government and Natural Resources	3-4
Political Science			POLI SCI/ GEN&WS 469	Women and Politics	3-4
Code	Title	Credits	POLI SCI 470	The First Amendment	3-4
POLI SCI/ LEGAL ST 217	Law, Politics and Society	3-4	POLI SCI 510	Politics of Government Regulation	3-4
POLI SCI/ CHICLA 231	Politics in Multi-Cultural Societies	3-4	POLI SCI 511	Campaign Finance	3-4
POLI SCI 272	Introduction to Public Policy	3-4	POLI SCI 514	Interest Group Politics	3-4
POLI SCI/ CHICLA 302	Mexican-American Politics	3-4	POLI SCI 516	Political Communications	3-4
POLI SCI 305	Elections and Voting Behavior	3-4	POLI SCI 561	Radical Political Theory	3-4
POLI SCI 309	Civil Liberties in the United States	3-4	Psychology		
POLI SCI 311	United States Congress	3-4	Code	Title	Credits
POLI SCI 314	Criminal Law and Justice	3-4	PSYCH 401	Psychology, Law, and Social Policy	3
POLI SCI 330	Political Economy of Development	3	PSYCH 403	Psychology of Personality	3
POLI SCI 335	Social Identities	3	PSYCH 405	Abnormal Psychology	3-4
POLI SCI 347	Terrorism	3	PSYCH 413	Language, Mind, and Brain	3
POLI SCI 348	Analysis of International Relations	3-4	PSYCH 414	Cognitive Psychology	3
POLI SCI 350	International Political Economy	3-4	PSYCH 428	Introduction to Cultural Psychology	3-4
POLI SCI 351	Politics of the World Economy	3-4	PSYCH/SOC 453	Human Sexuality	4
POLI SCI 354	International Institutions and World Order	3-4	PSYCH 456	Social Psychology	3-4
POLI SCI/CHICLA/ HISTORY/LACIS 355	Labor in the Americas: US & Mexico in Comparative & Historical Perspective	3	PSYCH 460	Child Development	3-4
POLI SCI 356	Principles of International Law	3-4	PSYCH 464	Adult Development and Aging	3
			PSYCH 502	Cognitive Development	4
			PSYCH 503	Social Development	4
			PSYCH 508	Psychology of Human Emotions: From Biology to Culture	4

PSYCH 510	Critical Issues in Child Psychopathology	4
PSYCH 513	Hormones, Brain, and Behavior	4
PSYCH/ GEN&WS 522	Psychology of Women and Gender	3
PSYCH 525	Cognition in Health and Society	4
PSYCH 526	The Criminal Mind: Forensic and Psychobiological Perspectives	4
PSYCH 532	Psychological Effects of the Internet	4
PSYCH 607	Introduction to Psychotherapy	3

Sociology

Code	Title	Credits
SOC 181	Honors Introductory Seminar-The Sociological Enterprise	3-4
SOC/C&E SOC 210	Survey of Sociology	3-4
SOC/C&E SOC 211	The Sociological Enterprise	3
SOC/ASIAN AM 220	Ethnic Movements in the United States	3-4
SOC/A A E/ C&E SOC 340	Issues in Food Systems	3-4
SOC/C&E SOC 341	Labor in Global Food Systems	3
SOC 421	Processes of Deviant Behavior	3-4
SOC/SOC WORK 422	Social Issues in Aging	3
SOC/GEN&WS/ LEGAL ST 425	Crime, Gender and Justice	3
SOC/CHICLA/ LEGAL ST 440	Ethnicity, Race, and Justice	3-4
SOC 441	Criminology	3-4
SOC/CHICLA/ LEGAL ST 443	Immigration, Crime, and Enforcement	3-4
SOC 446	Juvenile Delinquency	3-4
SOC/PSYCH 453	Human Sexuality	4
SOC/CHICLA 470	Sociodemographic Analysis of Mexican Migration	3
SOC/C&E SOC 475	Classical Sociological Theory	3
SOC 476	Contemporary Sociological Theory	3
SOC/GEN&WS 477	Feminism and Sociological Theory	3
SOC/C&E SOC 533	Public Health in Rural & Urban Communities	3
SOC 535	Talk and Social Interaction	3
SOC/C&E SOC/ ENVIR ST 540	Sociology of International Development, Environment, and Sustainability	3
SOC/C&E SOC 541	Environmental Stewardship and Social Justice	3
SOC 543	Collective Behavior	3
SOC/C&E SOC 573	Community Organization and Change	3
SOC 575	Sociological Perspectives on the Life Course and Aging	3
SOC/AMER IND/ C&E SOC 578	Poverty and Place	3
SOC/GEN&WS 611	Gender, Science and Technology	3

SOC/C&E SOC/ URB R PL 617	Community Development	3
SOC 621	Class, State and Ideology: an Introduction to Marxist Social Science	3
SOC/C&E SOC 623	Gender, Society, and Politics	3
SOC 624	Political Sociology	3
SOC 626	Social Movements	3
SOC/C&E SOC 630	Sociology of Developing Societies/ Third World	3
SOC 632	Sociology of Organizations	3-4
SOC 633	Social Stratification	3
SOC 640	Sociology of the Family	3
SOC/LAW/ LEGAL ST 641	Sociology of Law	3-4
SOC/C&E SOC/ URB R PL 645	Modern American Communities	3
SOC/ED POL 648	Sociology of Education	3
SOC/C&E SOC 650	Sociology of Agriculture	3
SOC/C&E SOC 652	Sociology of Economic Institutions	3
SOC/C&E SOC 655	Microfoundations of Economic Sociology	3
SOC/ECON 663	Population and Society	3
SOC/HISTORY 670	Capitalism, Socialism, and Democracy in America Since 1890	3-4
SOC/C&E SOC 676	Applied Demography: Planning and Policy	3
SOC 678	Sociology of Persecution	3
PSYCH 456	Social Psychology	3-4

HUMAN BEHAVIOR & THE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT

Code	Title	Credits
Complete both:		
SOC WORK 457	Human Behavior and the Environment (junior year, spring semester)	3
SOC WORK 640	Diversity, Oppression and Social Justice in Social Work (junior year, fall semester)	3

STATISTICS & RESEARCH

Code	Title	Credits
Statistics		
<i>Complete one course from:</i>		
STAT 301	Introduction to Statistical Methods (recommended)	3-4
or STAT 371	Introductory Applied Statistics for the Life Sciences	
or PSYCH 210	Basic Statistics for Psychology	
or SOC/ C&E SOC 360	Statistics for Sociologists I	
Research		
<i>Complete one course from:</i>		
SOC WORK 650	Methods of Social Work Research	3-4
or PSYCH 225	Research Methods	

or SOC/ C&E SOC 357	Methods of Sociological Inquiry	
Total Credits		6-8

ELECTIVES IN SOCIAL WELFARE

Complete **two** Intermediate or Advanced level SOC WORK courses and **at least 6 total credits** of Social Work electives. Not all courses in the list below are offered in each semester or year.

List of elective Soc Work courses

Code	Title	Credits
SOC WORK 299	Directed Study	1-3
SOC WORK 420	Poverty and Social Welfare	3
SOC WORK/SOC 422	Social Issues in Aging	3
SOC WORK 453	Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse	3
SOC WORK 454	Small Groups in Social Work Practice	3
SOC WORK 462	Child Welfare	3
SOC WORK 523	Family Violence	3
SOC WORK 575	Community Development in Social Welfare	3
SOC WORK 578	Homelessness: A Service Learning Course	4
SOC WORK 624	Social Work with the Small Group	3
SOC WORK 626	Social Work with the Community	3
SOC WORK 627	Sex Trafficking and Sex Trading	2
SOC WORK/ AMER IND 636	Social Work in American Indian Communities: The Indian Child Welfare Act	3
SOC WORK 639	Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender (GLBT) Individuals and Social Welfare	3
SOC WORK 642	Social Work and Adolescents	3
SOC WORK 643	Social Work and Delinquency	3
SOC WORK 644	Issues in Developmental Disabilities	3
SOC WORK 646	Child Abuse and Neglect	2
SOC WORK 656	Family Practice in Foster and Kinship Care	2
SOC WORK/ CHICLA 657	Understanding Latino Families and Communities	3
SOC WORK/ AMER IND 658	American Indian Affairs	3
SOC WORK 659	International Aspects of Social Work	3
SOC WORK 661	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 662	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 663	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 664	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	3
SOC WORK 665	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 672	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3

SOC WORK 673	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 674	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 675	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 676	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 679	Topics in Contemporary Social Welfare	2-3
SOC WORK 681	Senior Honors Thesis ¹	3
SOC WORK 682	Senior Honors Thesis ¹	3
SOC WORK 691	Senior Thesis ¹	2
SOC WORK 692	Senior Thesis ¹	2
SOC WORK 699	Directed Study ^{1,2}	1-3

RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- 2.000 GPA in all SOC WORK and all major courses
- 2.000 GPA on 15 upper-level major credits taken in residence³
- 15 credits in SOC WORK, taken on the UW–Madison campus

HONORS IN THE MAJOR

Students may apply for admission to Honors in the Major in consultation with the social welfare undergraduate advisor before beginning the Senior Honors Thesis. Students must make arrangements with a faculty member to sponsor their research project before admission will be granted.

HONORS IN THE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

To earn Honors in the Major, students must satisfy both the requirements for the major (above) and the following additional requirements:

- Earn a 3.300 University GPA
- Earn a 3.400 GPA for all SOC WORK and all major courses
- Complete SOC WORK 650
- Complete one SOC WORK elective (p. 6) from the elective list related to Senior Honors Thesis research topic
- Complete SOC WORK 579 concurrently with SOC WORK 681
- Complete a two-semester Senior Honors Thesis in SOC WORK 681 and SOC WORK 682, for a total of 6 credits, with a grade of B or better
- Present thesis results at a department colloquium.

FOOTNOTES

¹ Students with an interest in a particular area of study may develop a plan of independent work with the assistance of an interested Social Work faculty member. They may obtain information about instructors and their areas of interest from the School of Social Work website. Consent of instructor is required for the noted course offerings in independent work.

² No more than 3 credits of SOC WORK 699 may be used to meet this requirement.

³ PSYCH 225, SOC/C&E SOC 357, STAT 301, STAT 371, PSYCH 210, and SOC/C&E SOC 360, and all SOC WORK courses designated as Intermediate or Advanced level count as upper-level in the major.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Total Degree To receive a bachelor's degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.

Residency Degree candidates are required to earn a minimum of 30 credits in residence at UW–Madison. "In residence" means on the UW–Madison campus with an undergraduate degree classification. "In residence" credit also includes UW–Madison courses offered in distance or online formats and credits earned in UW–Madison Study Abroad/Study Away programs.

Quality of Work Undergraduate students must maintain the minimum grade point average specified by the school, college, or academic program to remain in good academic standing. Students whose academic performance drops below these minimum thresholds will be placed on academic probation.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Identify foundational aspects of the US social welfare system and the history of the social work profession.
2. Recognize human differences and how social welfare systems interact with these differences to shape opportunities and outcomes for individuals, groups, and communities.
3. Demonstrate an ability to critically evaluate research with respect to its relevance, quality, and utility for addressing social welfare issues.
4. Synthesize and communicate knowledge relevant to social welfare issues.
5. Practice self-awareness of one's values, beliefs, and biases regarding the causes and consequences of social welfare issues.
6. Connect awareness of self, systems and social welfare knowledge to promote human dignity and justice.

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.

Social Welfare majors are encouraged to gain social service experience through volunteer work. See the Social Work advisors or contact the Morgridge Center for Public Service (<http://www.morgridge.wisc.edu/>), 263-2432, for information on volunteering.

Students wishing to apply to the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program must do so in spring of Junior year.

Freshman

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
Foreign Language (if needed)		4 Foreign Language (if needed)	4
	14		14

Sophomore

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOC WORK 205 (can be taken Freshman or Sophomore year)		4 SOC WORK 206 (can be taken Freshman or Sophomore year)	4
Humanities Breadth		4 Communication B	4
Literature Breadth		4 Science Breadth	3-4
Elective		3 Elective	4
INTER-LS 210 ¹		1	
	16		15

Junior

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOC WORK 640		3 SOC WORK 457	3
STAT 301, 371, PSYCH 210, or SOC 360		3 SOC WORK elective (I/A-level)	3-4
Social Science Concentration course ²		3-4 Social Science Concentration course ²	3-4
Electives (I/A-level)		6 I/A COMP SCI, MATH, or STAT (if B.S.)	3-4
	16		15

Senior

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOC WORK elective (I/A-level)		3-4 SOC WORK 650	3
Electives (I/A-level)		12 SOC WORK elective (I/A-level)	3-4
		Electives (I/A-level)	8
	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.

¹ The College encourages students to take INTER-LS 210 in their second year (or anytime); it is recommended but not required.

² Take two Intermediate or Advanced level courses from one of the following social science departments: Afro-American Studies, American Indian Studies, Anthropology, Asian American Studies, Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies, Economics, Gender and Women's Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology.

ADVISING AND CAREERS

ADVISING

Students interested in either the social welfare major or bachelor of social work meet with the social work advisors to discuss degree requirements; exploring career paths; declare the major; and confer on student issues and concerns. Advisors are an excellent resource for information about campus and community services. Students should see an advisor at least once each semester to review academic progress. Advising appointments are made through the school's website (<https://socwork.wisc.edu/students/advising/#advising-appointments>). Social work faculty members are available for advice about coursework, research, and the social work profession in general.

L&S CAREER RESOURCES

SuccessWorks at the College of Letters & Science helps students leverage the academic skills learned in their major, certificates, and liberal arts degree; explore and try out different career paths; participate in internships; prepare for the job search and/or graduate school applications; and network with professionals in the field (alumni and employers). In short, SuccessWorks helps students in the College of Letters & Science discover themselves, find opportunities, and develop the skills they need for success after graduation.

SuccessWorks can also assist students in career advising, résumé and cover letter writing, networking opportunities, and interview skills, as well as course offerings for undergraduates to begin their career exploration early in their undergraduate career.

Students should set up their profiles in Handshake (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/handshake/>) to take care of everything they need to explore career events, manage their campus interviews, and **apply to jobs and internships from 200,000+ employers around the country.**

- SuccessWorks (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/>)
- Set up a career advising appointment (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/>)
- INTER-LS 210 L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit, targeted to first- and second-year students)—for more information, see Inter-LS 210: Career Development, Taking Initiative (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/inter-ls-210-career-development-taking-initiative/>)
- INTER-LS 215 Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Com B General Education Requirement)
- Handshake (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/handshake/>)
- Learn how we're transforming career preparation: L&S Career Initiative (<http://ls.wisc.edu/lsci/>)

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A complete list of all faculty and staff in the school is available on the School of Social Work Directory (<https://socwork.wisc.edu/directory/>).