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Social Work, Bachelor of Social Work

Catalog 2024-25

This academic degree map is a term-by-term course schedule designed for you to graduate in four years. The sample schedule below serves as a general guideline to building a full-time schedule for each term. Earning a degree requires that you complete (1) the required General Education courses, (2) the course requirements of your major and (3) any requirements PSU has designated for a Bachelor degree. Courses and special notes are specified to keep you on track to graduate in four years. Where open elective is listed, it means that you may take a course of your choosing, perhaps a course in an area outside of your major, but be sure to discuss this with your advisor.

This map is not a substitute for academic advisement – contact your advisor if you have any questions throughout the term and as you begin planning for the next. The University Catalog is also available as a resource with a complete list of requirements for all degrees offered at PSU.

Recommended 4-years to graduation plan

Code	Semester 1 - FRESHMAN YEAR	Credit	NOTES
POLS 101	U.S. Politics (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰ Suggested	3	
ENGL 101	English Composition (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3	C or better
HHP 150	Lifetime Fitness Concepts (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰ Suggested	1	
UGS 150	Gorilla Gateway (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	2	
SOC 100	Intro to Sociology (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰ Suggested	3	
SWK 201	Intro to Social Work	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	

Code	Semester 2 - FRESHMAN YEAR	Credit	NOTES
Bucket 060	Arts & Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3	
PSYCH 155	General Psychology	3	
SWK 221	Basic Helping Skills	3	
SWK 222	Basic Helping Skills Experience	1	
COMM 207	Speech Communication (SGE) ⁰²⁰	3	
100+	Open Elective	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		16	

Code	Semester 3 - SOPHOMORE YEAR	Credit	NOTES
SWK 365	Policy I: Social Progress & Social Policy	3	
Bucket 030	Math & Statistics (SGE) ⁰³⁰	3	
Bucket 060	Arts & Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3	
Bucket 040	Natural & Physical Sciences (SGE) ⁰⁴⁰	4	
SWK 344	Mental Health Theory & Practice	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		16	

Code	Semester 4 - SOPHOMORE YEAR	Credit	NOTES
SWK 385	Human Behavior in the Social Environment I: Individual & Family	3	
SWK 383	Fund of Research in SW (or SOSCI 387 or PSYCH 389 & 392)	3	
ENGL 299	Intro to Research Writing (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3	C or better
300+	Social Work Elective	3	
Bucket 070	Institutionally Designated (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	

Code	Semester 5 - JUNIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
SWK 383	Fundamentals of Research in Social Work (or SOSCI 387)	3	
SWK 501	Advanced Social Work Practice I: Micro	3	
SWK 485	Human Behavior in the Social Environment II: Groups & Communities	3	
SWK 465	Policy II: Social Welfare Policy Analysis	3	
100+	Open Elective	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	

Code	Semester 6 - JUNIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
300+	Social Work Elective	3	
SWK 598	Intro to Addiction	3	
SWK 502	Advanced Social Work Practice II: Mezzo	3	
100+	Open Elective	3	
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TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	

Code	Semester 7 - SENIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
SWK 599	Social Work & the Law	3	
SWK 503	Advanced Social Work Practice III: Macro	3	
SWK 619	Pre-Practicum Seminar	1	
100+	Open Elective	3	
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100+	Open Elective	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		16	

Code	Semester 8 - SENIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
SWK 621	Practicum in Social Work	10	
SWK 622	Integrative Seminar in Social Work	2	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		12	

Writing to Learn: Typically one from general education and one in major coursework.

Systemwide General Education (SGE) Key

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| 010 English | 050 Social & Behavioral Sciences |
| 020 Communications | 060 Arts & Humanities |
| 030 Math & Statistics | 070 Institutionally Designated |
| 040 Natural & Physical Sciences | |