

# SOCIAL WORK (BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK)

Students completing the BSW degree will be prepared for entry-level generalist social work practice. The BSW degree requires 120 hours including meeting all university and program general education requirements. The general studies requirements for the BSW degree total 60 hours:

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Area I: Written Composition</b>		
EH Composition sequence		3
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<b>Area II: Humanities and Fine Arts</b>		
Literature		3
EH 141	Speech	3
Select one fine art course from the following:		3
ART 111	Survey of Art I	
ART 112	Survey of Art II (WI)	
ART 202	Art Appreciation	
MU 233	Introduction to Music	
THR 242	Introduction to the Theatre	
Select one additional course in Humanities and Fine Arts		3
<b>Area III: Natural Sciences and Mathematics</b>		
BY 101	Introductory Biology I	4
& BY 103	and Introductory Biology Lab I	
or BY 102/104	Introductory Biology II	
Natural Science		4
MS 110	Finite Mathematics (or higher)	3
<b>Area IV: History, Social, and Behavioral Sciences</b>		
History sequence		6
PSY 201	Principles of Psychology	3
SY 221	Introduction to Sociology	3
<b>Area V: Pre-Professional, Major, and Elective Courses</b>		
EC 221	Principles of Microeconomics	3
or EC 222	Principles of Macroeconomics	
PSC 100	Introduction to American Government	3
MS 204	Basic Statistics	3
CS 201	Introduction to Information Technology	3
Select one course from the following:		3
FCS 215	Introductory Nutrition	
HPE 212	Personal and Community Health	
MSC 115	First Aid	
HPE 109	Concepts of Wellness	
Select four hours of general electives		4

The requirements for a Bachelor of Social Work degree include 54 semester hours of social work courses. The following 39 hours of social work courses are required:

Course	Title	Credits
SW 330	Introduction to Social Work <sup>1</sup>	3
SW 332	Social Policy and Services (WI)	3

SW 350	Social Work Research (WI)	3
SW 360	Cultural Diversity and Social Justice	3
SW 380	Human Behavior and Social Environment I	3
SW 381	Human Behavior and Social Environment II	3
SW 390	Social Work Practice I	3
SW 391	Social Work Practice II	3
SW 448	Social Work Practice III	3
SW 449	Field Instruction Placement	9
SW 450	Field Instruction Seminar	3
Select five social work elective courses from the following:		15
SW 300	Interpersonal Skills and Human Relations	
SW 333	Family and Child Welfare Services I	
SW 335	Social Work in Health Care	
SW 336	Crisis Intervention	
SW 338	Social Work and Mental Health	
SW 339	Communication In Social Work Practice	
SW 340	Substance-Use and Addictive Disorders in Social Work Practice	
SW 343	Family and Child Welfare Services II	
SW 344	Community Engagement and Leadership	
SW 353	Forensic Social Work	
SW 365	Perspectives on Poverty	
SW 370	Aging and Human Development	
SW 371	Perspectives on Death and Dying	
SW 392	Cognitive Theories in Social Work Practice	
SW 395	Case Management	
SW 399	Study Tour	
SW 441	Independent Study	
SW 442	Independent Study	
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SW 445	Special Topics in Social Work	
SW 446	Special Topics in Social Work	
SW 447	Special Topics in Social Work	

<sup>1</sup> SW 330 Introduction to Social Work (3) is a prerequisite for all social work classes with exception of SW 300 Interpersonal Skills and Human Relations (3), SW 344 Community Engagement and Leadership (3), SW 365 Perspectives on Poverty (3), SW 370 Aging and Human Development (3), SW 371 Perspectives on Death and Dying (3), and SW 380 Human Behavior and Social Environment I (3).

Social Work majors are not required to have a minor. Social work majors must earn a minimum of "C" or better in each of the social work courses.

Eligibility for the BSW Program requires passage of at least 48 semester hours [including MS 110 Finite Mathematics (3) or higher and MS 204 Basic Statistics (3)], a 2.25 overall GPA, a grade of "C" or better in SW 330 Introduction to Social Work (3), and successful completion of SW 390 Social Work Practice I (3). *Applications for eligibility for the Bachelor of Social Work degree program* are distributed to students enrolled in SW 390 Social Work Practice I (3). This application should be submitted to the program secretary upon completion of SW 390 Social Work Practice I (3). Students must have been formally determined as eligible for the social work program before taking SW 391 Social Work Practice II (3), SW 448 Social Work Practice III (3), SW 449 Field Instruction Placement (9), and SW 450 Field Instruction Seminar (3). Students denied eligibility are encouraged to complete the application as soon as they meet the

requirements and return it to the secretary for the BSW. Students must maintain a 2.50 GPA in social work and a 2.25 GPA overall in order to graduate. See the BSW program webpage at <http://www.jsu.edu/socialwork/index.html> (<http://www.jsu.edu/socialwork/>) for complete information about the BSW program.

*In addition to courses noted below, candidates for graduation must successfully complete all JSU Academic Regulations. More information about general education requirements can be found in the Summary of Degrees/Requirements (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/summary-degrees-requirements/>) section of the catalog.*

**Freshman**

Fall		Hours
EH Composition sequence		3
Fine Arts		3
Biology with lab		4
History Sequence		3
SSC 101	First Year Experience	0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13</b>

**Spring**

EH Composition sequence		3
EH 141	Speech	3
Natural Science		4
History Sequence		3
PSY 201	Principles of Psychology	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**Sophomore**

Fall		Hours
Literature		3
MS 110	Finite Mathematics (or higher)	3
CS 201	Introduction to Information Technology	3
PSC 100	Introduction to American Government	3
Select one of the following:		3
FCS 215	Introductory Nutrition	
HPE 212	Personal and Community Health	
MSC 115	First Aid	
HPE 109	Concepts of Wellness	
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring**

Humanities/Fine Art Elective		3
SY 221	Introduction to Sociology	3
EC 221	Principles of Microeconomics	3
or EC 222	or Principles of Macroeconomics	
MS 204	Basic Statistics	3
General Electives		4
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**Junior**

Fall		Hours
SW 330	Introduction to Social Work	3
SW 380	Human Behavior and Social Environment I	3
Social Work Electives		3
General Electives		6
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring**

SW 390	Social Work Practice I	3
SW 350	Social Work Research (WI)	3
SW 360	Cultural Diversity and Social Justice	3
Social Work Electives		6
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Senior****Fall**

SW 332	Social Policy and Services (WI)	3
SW 381	Human Behavior and Social Environment II	3
SW 391	Social Work Practice II	3
Social Work Electives		6
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring**

SW 448	Social Work Practice III	3
SW 449	Field Instruction Placement	9
SW 450	Field Instruction Seminar	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120</b>