

# SOCIAL WORK

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The Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program is part of the Department of Cultural and Social Studies. The Social Work program's mission is "The purpose of the Creighton Social Work program is to facilitate learning experiences integrating both the art and science of social work practice. Social work students are educated to join with, assess and utilize best practices to address the needs of vulnerable and marginalized populations. Integrating knowledge with care of the whole person is not only the cornerstone of a Jesuit education but required for accreditation, certification and licensure for the social work profession. This program provides "hands-on" learning experiences whenever feasible and provides quality supervision and support during the learning process to enhance the capacity and resiliency of our students.

The goals of the Social Work program are:

1. Prepare undergraduate generalist social work practitioners, grounded in evidence-informed practice, to work with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities including an understanding and applicability of the global perspective for practice.
2. Prepare entry level generalist practitioners who apply ethical decision-making based on the National Association of Social Work Code of Ethics and the Ignatian charisms, integrating personal and professional ideals through mature self-evaluation and self-reflection.
3. Prepare social work leaders committed to advancing social and economic justice and human rights along with reducing social and economic inequities in society.

The Social Work program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

## Specific requirements for Admission to the Social Work program

- Successful completion (grade C or higher) of **one** of the following SWK courses prior to application; remaining courses will be completed during major course progression. Late-declaring students should contact Program Director, Monica White (monicawhite@creighton.edu) to discuss possible exceptions.
  - SWK 201 Introduction to Social Work and Advocacy Skills
  - SWK 275 Working with Infants through Adolescents - Human Behavior and the Social Environment 1
  - SWK 276 Working with Adults through the Lifespan - Human Behavior and the Social Environment 2
- a minimum GPA of 2.5
- Admission to the program is selective and is based upon an application process that includes: the declaration of the major, a written application and student assessment.
- The application process must be completed and admission determined before students may register for SWK 345 Practice I: Social Work with Individuals and Families.

## Major Requirements (41 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Course Requirements</b>		
SWK 201	Introduction to Social Work and Advocacy Skills	3
SWK 275	Working with Infants through Adolescents - Human Behavior and the Social Environment 1	3

SWK 276	Working with Adults through the Lifespan - Human Behavior and the Social Environment 2	3
SWK 298	Economics, Policy and Social Welfare	3
SWK 345	Practice I: Social Work with Individuals and Families	3
SWK 346	Social Work Pre-Practicum 1	1
SWK 347	Social Work Pre-Practicum 2	1
SWK 359	Practice 2: Social Work with Groups	3
SWK 435	Practice III: Social Work with Organizations and Communities	3
SWK 440	Social Work Leadership Grounded in Anti-Racist, Anti-Oppressive Practice	3
SWK 460	Field Practicum Seminar I	2
SWK 461	Field Practicum 1	5
SWK 480	Field Practicum Seminar II	3
SWK 481	Field Practicum 2	5
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>41</b>

CSWE standards require that social work majors enter their careers with solid foundations in relevant content areas. Students should, therefore, be alert to the following required support courses.

Code	Title	Credits
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology: Self and Society	3
Select one of the following:		3
ANT 111	Introduction to Anthropology: Human and Cultural Diversity	
ANT 112	Introduction to Anthropology: Culture, Ecology and Sustainability	
ANT 113	Introduction to Anthropology: Social and Cultural Determinants of Health	
PSY 201	Introductory Psychology	
Select one of the following:		3-4
SWK/ANT 491	Applied Research: Assessment and Evaluation	
SOC 312	Research Design for the Social Sciences	
ANT 316	Qualitative Methods, Ethnography, and Engagement	
PSY 313	Research Methods And Statistics I	
PLS 310	Political Science Research Methods 2	
PSY 370	Applying Research Methods and Statistics in Psychology	

In order to be eligible for field placement, a student must have achieved a minimum GPA of 2.5 in all required courses for the Social Work major and must be certified ready for practicum as detailed in the Social Work Student Handbook & Field Practicum Manual.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in SWK 201, SWK 275, SWK 276, SWK 298, Support courses listed above, and Research courses.

Students must earn a grade of "C+" or better in: SWK 345, SWK 346, SWK 347, SWK 359, SWK 435, SWK 440, SWK 460, SWK 461, SWK 480, SWK 481.

Students may re-take the course 1 time to achieve the required grade.