

SOCIAL WORK

Program Code: S.SOW.AA

Associate in Arts (A.A.)

Graduation requirement — 60 semester hours

The profession of social work is devoted to helping people function optimally in their environment by providing direct and indirect services to individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities and by working to improve social conditions. Bachelor's degree programs in social work prepare students for careers in public and private agencies such as child welfare, mental health, corrections, shelters, and many other workplaces. Students interested in completing bachelor's degrees in social work are strongly encouraged to complete an Associate in Arts degree prior to transfer. To transfer into an accredited bachelor's degree program in social work as juniors, students need to complete a minimum of 60 semester credits (up to a maximum of 64 semester credits) from the adjacent list. Students should contact their counselor or advisor about the particular social work baccalaureate program for specific entry requirements, including language requirements. Since admission is competitive, completion of these courses alone does not guarantee admission.

Program Note

- Recommended courses are designed to facilitate completion of the A.A. degree and transfer into a four-year college or university with junior standing in a chosen academic path. Students are advised to follow the recommendations.

Required General Education Core Courses (38 hours)

Cr. Hrs.

Communications (9)	
COM 103 Introduction to Public Speaking	3
ENG 101 Composition I	3
ENG 102 Composition II	3
Humanities/Fine Arts electives	9
<i>Recommended:</i>	
PHI 101 Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking (3)	
or PHI 103 Introduction to Philosophy (3)	
or PHI 105 Introduction to Ethics (3)	
• Choose at least one course from Humanities and one from Fine Arts	
Social/Behavioral Sciences electives	9
<i>Recommended:</i>	
ANT 103 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)	
or ECO 101 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)	
or POS 122 American National Government (3)	
or PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (4)	
or SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3)	
or SOC 203 Diversity and Society (3)	
• Soc/Beh Sci courses must be from at least two disciplines	
• One course from Hum/Fine Arts or Soc/Beh Sci must fulfill the non-Western culture requirement	
Mathematics elective	3
<i>Recommended:</i>	
MAT 108 Introduction to Applied Statistics (3)	
Life Sciences (laboratory-based) elective	4
<i>Recommended:</i>	
BIO 101 General Biology (4)	
or BIO 104 Environmental Biology and Sustainability (4)	
or BIO 105 Human Biology (4)	
or BIO 107 Heredity and Society (4)	
Physical Sciences (laboratory-based) elective	4
<i>Recommended:</i>	
AST 101 The Solar System (4)	
or AST 102 Stars, Galaxies, and the Universe (4)	

A.A. Degree Requirement (3 hours)

LAS 188 Diverse U.S. Cultural Expression	
or LAS 189 Introduction to Liberal Arts and Sciences	3

Recommended Courses (12 hours)

SOC 220 Introduction to Social Work	3
<i>Choose three courses from the following:</i>	
PSY 107 Human Sexuality	3
PSY 203 Abnormal Psychology	3
PSY 205 Introduction to Social Psychology	3
SOC 102 Social Problems	3

Electives (7 hours)

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Total Semester Credit Hours

60