



## Department of Social Work Education (DSWE) Catalog Years 2020-Current

### B.A. Social Work Program Description

Students pursuing a baccalaureate degree in Social Work enter the university as freshman in the Pre-Health Major and as transfers are directly admitted after successful acceptance to the Social Work programs supplemental application. Social Work student cohorts begin the major program every fall semester.

### Prerequisites for Entry into the B.A. Social Work Program

Students majoring in Social Work must successfully complete the Social Work admission requirements as a Pre-Health major applicant or transfer applicant prior to enrollment in restricted and sequenced 100-level Social Work courses. Social Work major change and enrollment in first semester course sequence is contingent upon satisfactory fulfillment of these requirements, successful application and capacity. **NOTE: 90 units must be earned before enrolling in SWRK 181 (Field 1)**

### Social Work Major Course Prerequisites (Effective Academic Year 2013-2014):

Prerequisite Courses	GE Requirement	Units
Oral Communication (COMM 3, 7, or 8)	A1	3
Written Communication (ENGL 5B or 10)	A2	3
Critical Thinking*	A3	3
Quantitative Reasoning*	B4	3
American Government (PLSI 2)	D2	3
Social Science (ECON 25, 40, or 50)	D3	3
Life-Long Understanding (PH 90)	E	3
Introduction to Social Work (SWRK 20)		3
	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>24</b>

\*See G.E. list for approved courses.

*Each prerequisite must be completed with a minimum "C" grade. CR/NC grades not accepted (excluding Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate). The DSWE will honor articulation agreements between community college districts and Fresno State for equivalent courses meeting the above requirements.*

### Pre-Health/Transfer Student Applicant to Social Work Major Transition:

- Complete eight prerequisites
- Fulfill all lower-division general education requirements
- Earn 60 units (Comprised of prerequisites, lower-division general education and additional major requirements)
- Maintain a 2.7 or above prerequisite & cumulative GPA
- Successful Acceptance to Program after semester three application for Pre Health and/or successful Transfer Application

## EXAMPLE OF UNDERGRADUATE 2.5-YEAR COURSE PLAN (CATALOG YEAR 2019-PRESENT):

The Social Work major is a **sequenced program** (shaded courses must be completed in the order outlined and are only offered in the specified term). You must follow the recommended sequence to complete upper-division Social Work major program.

SOPHMORE YEAR		JUNIOR YEAR				SENIOR YEAR			
Spring	Units	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Fall	Units	Spring	Units
SWRK 20	3	SWRK 123 Social Welfare Policy	3	SWRK 136 Diversity	3	SWRK 181 Field 1	6	SWRK 182 Field 2	6
Upper Division General Education	3	SWRK 135 Human Behavior/ Social Environment	3	SWRK170 Quantitative Research	3				
Upper Division General Education	3	SWRK 160 Practice Processes 1	3	SWRK 161 Practice Processes 2	3	SWRK 180 Macro Practice	3	SWRK 183 Micro Practice	3
SWRK Additional Requirement	3	Upper Division General Education	3	SWRK Additional Requirement	3	SWRK 171 Qualitative Research	3	SWRK Additional Requirement	3
SWRK Additional Requirement	3	SWRK Additional Requirement	3	Upper Division Writing Skills	1-4	SWRK Additional Requirement		General Elective	3
<b>12-15 Units</b>		12-15 Units		12-15 Units		12-15 Units		12-15 Units	

**Advising Notes:** Sequencing of UDGE, additional major requirements and elective courses will vary. Registration in UDGE and major courses (e.g., SWRK 181 field) require prerequisites, refer to the schedule of courses for more information. Students must earn a minimum grade of C in each required SWRK course. Students are encouraged to complete additional minor or certificate requirements, which may be double counted between major and general education requirements.

Additional Major Requirements	GE Requirement	Units
(Select One) GERON 100, 103, PHIL 1*, 20*	May also count toward General Education	3
(Select One) GERON 134, 139, PHIL 120, 131, 150		3
<b>Upper-Division Electives:</b>		
**Cultural Diversity: Africana Studies, American Indian Studies, Chicano, Latin American Studies, Asian American Studies or Women's Studies		3
**Select <b>one</b> course from <b>two</b> of the following areas (6 units): Anthropology, Criminology, Psychology, or Sociology		6
Select <b>one</b> from following courses: SWRK 125, 128, 129 or 137		3
<b>*May be completed at community college</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>**Visit the Fresno State Social Work Education website for list of approved additional major requirement courses (click on <i>Undergraduate Materials</i> link)</b>		

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