

Social Work



College of Liberal Arts
Department of Social Work
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Chukchi Campus
Kuskokwim Campus
Northwest Campus

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Degree: B.A.

Minimum Requirements for Degree: B.A.: 120 credits

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Graduates in social work qualify for beginning practice positions in child welfare, mental health, services for the aged, family agencies, youth programs, health services, Native corporations and other social agencies. Social work applies knowledge in the behavioral sciences to deal with the emotional and social problems of individuals, families and communities.

The curriculum includes a liberal arts base, foundation requirements in the behavioral sciences, and sequences in social policy and services, practice methods and field instruction. A major emphasis is the preparation of the student for beginning social work practice with rural and Alaska Native populations.

Students learn to work with people on a personal level and are placed in a social agency as part of their coursework during the senior year. A Title IV-E entitlement grant provides stipends to senior students doing practicums in child protection.

The UAF baccalaureate social work program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

MAJOR

Social Work—B.A. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 28). (As part of the core curriculum requirements, complete: SOC 100X; BIOL 103X and one other discipline from the core natural sciences, or BIOL 105X and BIOL 106X.)
 2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 33). (As part of the B.A. degree requirements, complete: ANTH 242 and PSY 101.)
 3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
- a. Complete the following:
 - SOC 250—Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Sciences (3)
 - or STAT 200—Elementary Probability and Statistics (3) 3
 - SOC/SWK 473W—Social Science Research Methods 3
 - SWK 103—Introduction to Social Work 3
 - SWK 220—Ethics, Values and Social Work Practice 3
 - SWK 305—Social Welfare History 3
 - SWK 306W—Social Welfare: Policies and Issues 3
 - SWK 320—Rural Social Work 3
 - SWK 341—Human Behavior in the Social Environment I 3
 - SWK 342O—Human Behavior in the Social Environment II 3
 - SWK 460—Social Work Practice I 3
 - SWK 461—Practicum in Social Work I 6
 - SWK 463—Social Work Practice II 3
 - SWK 464—Practicum in Social Work II 6
 - b. Complete 2 courses from the following special problems areas:
 - ANS 350W,O—Cross Cultural Communication: Alaskan Perspectives 3
 - JUST 340—Rural Justice in Alaska 3
 - JUST 358—Juvenile Delinquency 3
 - PSY 345—Abnormal Psychology 3
 - RD/WMS 460—Women, Gender and Development 3
 - SWK 350W—Women's Issues in Social Welfare and Social Work Practice 3
 - SWK 360—Child Abuse and Neglect 3
 - SWK 370—Social Work and the Aging Society 3
 - SWK 470—Theories of Chemical Dependency and Social Work Practice 3
 - SWK 484—Seminar in Social Work Practice Areas 3
4. Minimum credits required 120

* Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.

MINOR

1. Complete the following:
 - SWK 103—Introduction to Social Work 3
 - SWK 220—Ethics, Values and Social Work Practice 3
 - SWK 305—Social Welfare History (3)
 - or SWK 306—Social Welfare: Policies and Issues (3) 3
 - SWK 320—Rural Social Work 3
 - SWK 341—Human Behavior in the Social Environment I (3)
 - or SWK 342O—Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (3) 3
 - One course from special problems area in section 3b 3
2. Minimum credits required 18



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