

Social Work

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B.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 120 credits

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 course work 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.

Major—B.A. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 106. As part of the core curriculum requirements, complete SOC 100X.)
2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements (page 109. 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 required120
* 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 required18

Note: Page numbers refer to the UAF 2004-2005 academic catalog, which can be viewed online at www.uaf.edu/catalog/.

General University Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.
Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

COMMUNICATIONS (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL 111X (3) _____
ENGL 211X OR 213X (3) _____
COMM 131X OR 141X (3) _____

LIBRARY & INFORMATION SKILLS (0-1)

Complete the following:

LS 100X OR 101X (0-1) _____
OR Successful completion of library skills competency test.

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete either the following six courses:

ANTH 100X OR SOC 100X (3) _____
ECON/PS 100X (3) _____
HIST 100X (3) _____
ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X (3) _____
ENGL/FL 200X (3) _____
PHIL 322X, NRM 303X, COMM 300X,
PS 300X OR JUST 300X (3) _____

OR Complete 12 cr from the above list PLUS two semester-length courses in a single non-English or Alaska Native language at the university level OR three semester-length courses (9 cr) in American Sign Language.

MATHEMATICS (3-4)

Complete 3-4 credits from the following:

MATH 107X (3) _____
OR MATH 131X (except for BBA) (3) _____
OR MATH 161X (3) _____
MATH 200X (4) _____
MATH 201X (4) _____
MATH 202X (4) _____
MATH 262X (4) _____
MATH 272X (3) _____

NOTE: Additional 3 cr of math needed for degree requirements.

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete 8 credits from the following:

ATM 101X (4) _____
BIOL 103X OR 104X (4) _____
BIOL 105X-106X (8) _____
BIOL 111X-112X (8) _____
CHEM 100X (4) _____
CHEM 103X-104X (8) _____
CHEM 105X-106X (8) _____
GEOG 205X (4) _____
GEOS 100X OR 120X OR 125X (4) _____
GEOS 101X-112X (8) _____
MSL 111X (4) _____
PHYS 102X OR 175X (4) _____
PHYS 103X-104X (8) _____
PHYS 211X-212X (8) _____
PHYS 211X-213X (8) _____
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