BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK (BSW) ONLINE DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM



The goal of the online Bachelor of Arts in Social Work program is to offer students with associate degrees the opportunity to complete their BA in Social Work through the convenience of a fully online curriculum.

The online Bachelor of Arts in Social Work degree promotes:

- Research-informed practice
- Implementation of best practices in supporting individuals, groups, families and communities
- Advocacy for social justice and human rights

The online Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (BSW) degree completion program has been designed to support students who have already completed their Associate degree in Human Services, Social Services or a related field. The program has been developed within the framework of curriculum content outlined by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Accreditation Standards. The courses are carefully sequenced so that students may build upon previous coursework.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Flexibility 100% online courses can be started throughout the year
- 60 credit bachelor's program
- Helps students to gain more experience in social work and expand their career options
- Service Learning gives students hands-on work experience in social work
- Field Education is a capstone field-based learning experience
- · Classes starting every January, May and August

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Learn about research-informed practice and practice-informed research
- Understand the effects of policy on practice
- Meet contemporary social, cultural, economic, political and global challenges
- Assess challenges and progress
- Intervene with research-informed practices
- · Monitor and evaluate practice to inform decision-making
- Embrace core social work values
- Enhance human and community well-being
- Promote social and economic justice through generalist social work practice



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PROGRAM PRE-REQUISITES

Completion of an associate degree in Social Services, Human Services or related area.

The following pre-requisite courses or their equivalent acceptable transfer courses must be completed before beginning the Bachelor of Arts in Social Work Program:

SOWK 102 - Modern Social Welfare Dilemmas

SOWK 203 - Human Behavior and the Social Environment

BIOL 204 - Human Biology

PSYC 100 - General Psychology

GOVT 112 - State & Local Government **OR** GOVT 111 -Intro to American Government

SOCY 210 - Sociology of the Family **OR** SOCY 101 Intro to Sociology

OR SOCY 211 Social Problems

SERVICE LEARNING

- SOWK301 and SOWK302 will provide 20 hours of service learning experience in each course.
- Students will complete an additional 20 hours of service learning (not attached to a specific course).

FIELD EDUCATION

Field Education will be completed during the final semester of the program to provide students with social work practice experience in the field.

- SOWK 401 and SOWK 402 together will consist of 450 hours of fieldwork experience to further integrate students into the profession of social work.



"The time is always right to do what is right."

– Martin Luther King, Jr.

PROGRAM COURSES (60 CREDITS)

SOWK 201- Social Welfare Policy & Economics (3 credits) SOWK 301- Social Work Practice I (3 credits) SOWK 302 - Social Work Practice II (3 credits) SOWK 303 - Social Welfare & the Law (3 credits) SOWK 322 - Information Literacy for Social Work Research and Practice (3 credits) SOWK 323 - Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (3 credits) SOWK 350 - Encounters in Human Diversity (3 credits) SOWK 401 - Field Instruction I (6 credits) SOWK 402 - Field Instruction II (6 credits) SOWK403 - Social Work Practice III (3 credits) SOWK430 - Social Work Research (3 credits) SOWK 431 - Social Work Statistics (3 credits) ENGL 312 or ENGL 316 - Advanced Writing (3 credits) SOWK Electives, Open Electives and General Education Courses (15 credits)



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