

SOCIAL WORK, B.S.W.

Degree Requirements (120 hours)

Program of Study

Requirements	Credit Hours
1. Carolina Core	31-43
2. College Requirements	3-15
3. Program Requirements	2-26
4. Major Requirements	60

Founding Documents Requirement

All undergraduate students must take a 3-credit course or its equivalent with a passing grade in the subject areas of History, Political Science, or African American Studies that covers the founding documents including the United State Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, the Emancipation Proclamation and one or more documents that are foundational to the African American Freedom struggle, and a minimum of five essays from the Federalist papers. This course may count as a requirement in any part of the program of study including the Carolina Core, the major, minor or cognate, or as a general elective. Courses that meet this requirement are listed here (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/founding-document-courses/>).

1. Carolina Core Requirements (31-43 hours)

CMW – Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written (6 hours)

must be passed with a grade of C or higher

- any CC-CMW course (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>)

ARP – Analytical Reasoning and Problem Solving (6 hours)

- STAT 201
- One of the following:
 - MATH 122
 - MATH 141
 - Any other STAT course approved for Carolina Core ARP

SCI – Scientific Literacy (7 hours)

Two approved Carolina Core Scientific Literacy courses (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>), including at least one with a laboratory selected from Biology

GFL – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language (0-6 hours)

A score of two or better on the foreign language placement test or equivalent Carolina Core GFL course(s).

- CC-GFL courses (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>)

GHS – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Historical Thinking (3 hours)

- any CC-GHS course (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>)

GSS – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Social Sciences (3 hours)

- any CC-GSS course (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>) from Psychology (PSYC) or Sociology (SOCY)

AIU – Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding (3 hours)

- any CC-AIU course (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>)

CMS – Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component ¹ (0-3 hours)

- any overlay or stand-alone CC-CMS course (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>)

INF – Information Literacy ¹ (0-3 hours)

- any overlay or stand-alone CC-INF course (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>)

VSR – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility ¹ (0-3 hours)

- any overlay or stand-alone CC-VSR course (<https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/>)

¹ **Carolina Core Stand Alone or Overlay Eligible Requirements** – Overlay-approved courses offer students the option of meeting two Carolina Core components in a single course. A maximum of two overlays is allowed. The total Carolina Core credit hours must add up to a minimum of 31 hours. Some programs may have a higher number of minimum Carolina Core hours due to specified requirements.

2. College Requirements (3-15 hours)

Economics (3 hours)

Additional College of Social Work Requirements (12 hours)

These requirements may be satisfied as part of the Carolina Core requirements:

Course	Title	Credits
POLI 201	American National Government	3
Select one 200-level or above literature course selected from a list of approved courses (see advisor for details)		3
Select one philosophy course		3
Select one cultural awareness course (A wide variety of courses can be considered under the general category of “cultural awareness.” Students are to consult with their advisors for approved courses.)		3
Total Credit Hours		12

3. Program Requirements (2-26 hours)

Electives (2-26 hours)

The B.S.W. requires a minimum of 60 semester hours outside of the major requirements. Students with fewer than 60 hours outside of the major must take enough electives to fulfill the 120-hour minimum. No elective courses of a remedial and developmental nature may apply as credit toward the 120-hour minimum.

4. Major Requirements (60 hours)

A minimum grade of C is required in all major courses.

Course	Title	Credits
Major Courses		
SOWK 201	Introduction to Social Work Profession and Social Welfare	3
SOWK 222	Social Welfare Institutions, Policies, and Programs	3
SOWK 311	Foundations of Social Work Practice	3
SOWK 312	Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families	3
SOWK 322	Social Policy Analysis	3
SOWK 331	Diversity and Social Justice in Contemporary Society	3
SOWK 341	Theories for Understanding Individuals, Families, and Groups	3
SOWK 352	Social Work and Scientific Inquiry	3
SOWK 382	Introduction to Field Education	3
SOWK 411	Social Work Practice with Groups	3
SOWK 412	Social Work Practice with Organizations and Communities	3
SOWK 422	Advocacy for Social and Economic Justice	3
SOWK 441	Theories for Understanding Organizations and Communities	3
SOWK 481	Practicum I: Field Education	3
SOWK 482	Practicum II: Field Education	3
SOWK 483	Practicum Seminar	3
SOWK 484	Capstone	3
Major Electives		
Select three SOWK electives		9
Total Credit Hours		60