

**Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology
College of Humanities and Social Sciences**

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Social Work Minor

Utah State University's Social Work Minor offers students the foundational work needed to be grounded in social work values and prepares students for their Social Service Worker (SSW) licensure.

The program's guiding educational philosophy is based on two broad traditions: generalist social work practice and the Land-grant University heritage. The social work program provides a learning environment for those who seek to acquire knowledge and skills in order to bring about meaningful social change in individuals, groups, communities, and society. The minor provides the framework and foundation in generalist social work knowledge, values and skills, such as critical thinking, clarification of personal values, awareness of diversity, professional use of self, and communication and interpersonal relationship skills. The mission of the program and the intent of the minor is to instill in students social work values including social justice, service, dignity and worth of a person, the importance of human relationships, integrity and competence.

Code of Conduct

During academic training, students are required to abide by the Code of Ethics and standards of conduct specified by the NASW *Code of Ethics* and the Utah State Board of Social Work Examiners. A more complete discussion of Social Work program policies can be found at: <http://socialwork.usu.edu/SSC.aspx>

Academic Advisement

All students should contact the department peer advisor for assistance with course selection, program planning, and meeting graduation requirements. Students are also encouraged to meet with their academic advisor, Reid Youmans, in preparation for meeting the minor requirements.

You may contact the peer advisor at usu.sw.peeradvisor@gmail.com

University Studies Requirements for Social Work Major

Degree Works, which can be found through Banner, outlines all general education, depth, and social work program requirements.

Note: Approved University Studies courses and requirements are listed in the *General Catalog*. The most current listings are shown online at: <http://www.usu.edu/generalcatalog/>

Licensure

In the State of Utah, graduates with a bachelor's degree in Social Work are eligible to be licensed as social service workers upon graduation. Students may obtain further information on licensure from:

Department of Commerce
Division of Occupational and Professional
Licensing 160 East 300 South, PO Box 146741
Salt Lake City UT 84114-6741
Tel. (801) 530-6628, Fax (801) 530-6511
<http://www.dopl.utah.gov>

Materials for Persons with Disabilities

This requirement sheet is available in digital format, recordings, or large print upon request to the USU Disability Resource Center.

Social Work Minor Requirements

The Social Work minor consists of 18 credit hours. Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75 in social work courses with none of the credits counting towards the minor being graded as pass/fail. Additionally, students must earn a C+ or better in the foundational course of Social Work 1010. A minimum of 50 % of the coursework must be completed at Utah State University.

Students may declare Social Work as their minor at any time. All of the course offerings listed below are open to all social work minors.

Required Courses (15 Credits Required)	Credits
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 1010* Introduction to Social Welfare	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 2100 or SW 5901/CESS 5901 Human Behavior in the Social Environment	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 2400 Social Work with Diverse Populations	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 5902/CESS 5902 Generalist Social Work Practice	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 5903/CESS 5903 Social Policy and Social Change	3

Second Social Work Electives (3 Credits Required)	Credits
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 3250 Social Work & Substance Abuse	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 3350 Child Welfare	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 3360 Adolescents: Theories, Problems, and Issues	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 3450 School Social Work	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 3550 Social Gerontology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 3650 Mental Health	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 3850 Spirituality & Social Work	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 4900 Forensic Child Welfare	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 4900 Gender-Based Violence	3

SSW Classes* (Needed for Licensure)	Credits
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 5901 Dimensions of Human Behavior: Person and Environment	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 5902 Generalist Social Work Practice	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SW 5903 Social Policy and Social Change	3

*Offered online every semester

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