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From: ___________________________ Approved By: **Lois Pierce**  Date: **3/14/13**

Department Chair

From: **School of Social Work**  Approved By: ___________________________  Date: __________

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**Title of Degree, Minor, or Certificate Program:** Bachelor of Social Work

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A minimum of 43 hours or a maximum of 50 hours must be taken in social work. A minimum of 30 hours is required in related area departments.

Evaluation of social work transfer credits will be done by a social work adviser on an
**Related Area Requirements**
The following courses, or their alternatives, are required:

**Biology**
*One* course from the following:

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**ECON 1000**, Introduction to the American Economy or ECON 1005, Family Economics and Household Development

**POL SCI 1100**, Introduction to American Politics

**PSYCH 1003**, General Psychology

**Sociology:**

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At least 9 additional hours must be taken in social work, sociology, political science, psychology, women's and gender studies,
anthropology, criminology and criminal justice, or economics at the 2000 level or above. Hours taken in social work will apply toward the maximum of 50 hours that may be taken in social work courses. The Social Work program may require students to pass a placement test to enroll in the next level course, provided this test or its equivalent is administered to all students seeking to enroll in that course.

Social work majors must have a grade of \( C \) or better and maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better in all course work specifically required for the major, with satisfactory grades in practicum.

**Note:** Anthropology, biological sciences, economics, and Spanish courses are strongly recommended by graduate schools of social work.

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