Bachelor of Social Work

Courses required for the B.S.W. degree may not be taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis except SOC WK 4800 and SOC WK 4850.

Admission Requirements

Students entering UMSL as freshman and as transfer students should indicate a pre-social work major. Students must apply to the program concurrently with SOC WK 3100. Admission to the program is conditional upon the successful completion of all necessary requirements.

Requirements for Admission to the Social Work program:

- Junior standing
- Have a GPA of 2.75 or higher in social work related areas.
- Submission of:
 - Application for admission to the social work program.
 - Two letters of reference: one from a college or university professor and one other from a work or volunteer experience supervisor.
- Completion of SOC WK 2000, SOC WK 2001, and SOC WK 2200 or their equivalents or completion of an A.A. in Human Services.
- Satisfactory completion of all courses listed as prerequisites for, SOC WK 3210, and SOC WK 3510.

Applicants may be asked to meet with the social work Social Work Admissions Committee.

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Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 in social work and related-area requirement courses to enter field practicum. Candidates for this degree program must complete the core requirements including the following social work courses:

SOC WK 2000	Social Work And Social Issues	3
SOC WK 2001	Social Work and Social Issues Lab	1
SOC WK 2200	Social Welfare As A Social Institution	3
SOC WK 3100	Introduction To Strategies for Social Work Practice	3
SOC WK 3210	Social Issues And Social Policy Development	3
Select one of the following:		3
SOC WK 3410	Research Design In Social Work	3
SOC 3230	Research Methods	
PSYCH 2219	Research Methods	
CRIMIN 2210	Research Methods In Criminology And Criminal Justice	
SOC WK 3510	Human Behavior In The Social Environment	3
SOC WK 3700	Diversity And Social Justice	3
SOC WK 4110	Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families, and Groups	3
SOC WK 4300	Social Work Practice with Communities	3
SOC WK 4350	Human Service Organizations	3
SOC WK 4800 & SOC WK 4850	Supervised Field Experience In Social Work I and Supervised Field Experience In Social Work II	8
SOC WK 4801 & SOC WK 4851	Integratve Field Experience Seminar I and Integrative Field Seminar II	4
Total Hours		43

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 individual basis.

Related Area Requirements

The following courses, or their alternatives, are required:

ECON 1000	Introduction To The American Economy	3
or ECON 1005	Family Economics and Household Development	
POL SCI 1100	Introduction To American Politics	3
PSYCH 1003	General Psychology	3
Biology		
Select one of the following:		3-4
BIOL 1012	General Biology	
BIOL 1102	Human Biology	
BIOL 1131	Human Physiology And Anatomy I	
BIOL 1141	Human Physiology And Anatomy II	
BIOL 1202	Environmental Biology	
Sociology		
SOC 1010	Introduction To Sociology	3
SOC 2160	Social Psychology	3
Select one of the following:		3-4
SOC 3220	Social Statistics	
PSYCH 2201	Psychological Statistics	
CRIMIN 2220	Statistical Analysis In Criminology And Criminal	

At least 9 additional hours must be taken in social work, sociology, political science, psychology, gender studies, anthropology, criminology and criminal justice, or economics at the 2000 level or above.

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Total Hours 30-32

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.

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

None

Rationale

We are correcting the Biology options to include general biology instead of environmental biology.