Social Work // MAJOR MAP

Bachelor of Social Work | Minor: Social Welfare



	FRESHMAN	SOPHOMORE	JUNIOR	SENIOR	CAREER
Grow	Investigate the Profession of Social Work by meeting and speaking to a Social Work faculty member. Take SOC 1003 introductory Sociology and PSY 1013 General Psychology. Familiarize yourself with your department by getting to know the professors and students.	Continue exploring other introductory courses in the department such as SWK 2003 Introduction to Social Work and BEH 2001 Writing for the Behavioral Sciences. Apply to the Social Work program the spring of your sophomore year. Attend the new cohort training session in May.	Enter the Social Work program with your new cohort and begin taking the Social Work core classes: SWK 3113 Social Work Practice I, Practice II, and Practice III. Participate in the Social Work department advocacy day trip to Jefferson City. Interview for field placement.	Completing Social Work program classes SOC 4013 Social Welfare Policy and SWK 4083 Social Work Problems and Policy will bring your academic experiences together and prepare you for your desired career path upon graduation. Select 9 hours of supportive courses and begin your 450 hours of work in an agency field placement.	POSSIBILITIES Hospital Social Worker School-Based Services Social Worker Mental Health Case Manager Social Service
Pursue SERVANT LEADERSHIP	Participate in student organizations and service opportunities with Behavioral Sciences Club and Social Work Club. Participate in service opportunities by volunteering at Community Outreach Ministries, House of Hope, or another community agency.	Participate in service opportunities with Behavioral Sciences Club, Psi Chi, Social Work Club, Sociology and Criminal Justice Society (SCJS), and Phi Alpha. Shadow a Social Worker at a local agency.	Join Behavioral Sciences Club, Psi Chi, SCJS, Phi Alpha, or the Social Work Club, and help with service projects.	Step into club leadership positions. Consider presenting research at a student conference. Spread the word about what clubs, honor society leadership, organizations, and events you have enjoyed and help others to get connected on campus.	Social Service Worker I Adult Community Support Specialist Vocational Employment Specialist Hospital Social Worker
Embrace OUR GLOBAL SOCIETY	Visit SBU's Center for Global Connections to learn about global service opportunities. Consider taking the language placement exam with the Foreign Language Institute (FLI).	Serve on a local Global Connections service project. Consider serving on the Prom Dress mission trip through the Social Work department. Enroll in a new language at the FLI.	Engage more in your department and in another country through the department's mission trip. Are you interested in studying abroad? Ask your advisor or Career Services about study abroad opportunities.	Assess what opportunities, locally and globally, are available upon graduation. Consider positions overseas or in missions.	Juvenile Officer Probation and Parole Officer Correctional Treatment Specialist Activity Director
Plan for YOUR FUTURE	Discuss career interests with an advisor and research job options so that your goals can inform your class selection, choice of minor, and internship research. Attend the Spring Majors Meeting for all Behavioral Sciences majors.	Conduct informational interviews with professionals in your desired career field. Apply for departmental scholarships. Pursue internship opportunities by networking at career fairs held on campus.	Prepare for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).Plan for a summer job at a camp or social agency.Get involved in a Community Project class to explore career options.	Identify and ask individuals if they will write letters of reference recommendation for you. Finalize your résumé and cover letter. Consider pursuing an MSW or Ph.D. in Social Work by exploring and applying to graduate schools.	Human Services worker Juvenile Court Liaison