

III. SOCIAL WORK

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Guidelines for Mathematical Sciences Courses

Statistical literacy is important in this field, and STAT 269 is a course that gives a good introduction to statistical methods and meets the General Education requirement. All majors in the Social Work major must take STAT 269, which is usually taken in the second or third year. Students who have a weak background in Algebra should consider taking MATH 101 or MATH 102 in their first year in preparation for STAT 269.

Students with Advanced Placement credit:

Requirements for courses in mathematical sciences can be met through Advanced Placement exam credit. Students who have taken AP exams in calculus, computer science, or statistics should go to the math department’s website (www.messiah.edu/departments/mathsci/courses/ap_credit.html) to find out how credit is awarded for your scores.

8 Semester Plan

Social Work (B.S.W)

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
First Year – Fall			First Year - Spring		
SOWK 099	Professionalism in Social Work	1	SOWK 221	Human Behavior	3
SOWK 120	Introduction to Social Work	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community*	3
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3	BIOL 258	Human Biology	4
varies	1 st language*	3	varies	2 nd language*	3
COMM 105	Oral Communication*	3	SOCI 101	Principles of Sociology	3
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar*	3			
		TOTAL			16
Sophomore –Fall			Sophomore – Spring		
SOWK 250	Social Work Practice with Individuals	3	SOWK 360	Social Work Practice with Families	3
SOWK 251	Field Exp: SW Practice with Individuals	1	SOWK 361	Field Exp: SW Practice with Families	1
SOWK 382	Topics in Social Work	3	STAT 269	Introductory Statistics	3
BIBL 2XX	Encountering the Bible: Old/New Test.*	3	Varies	Literature* (1 st or 2 nd year)	3
HIST 142	U.S. History Since 1865	3	Varies	Nonwestern meeting QuEST	3
varies	Free Elective	3	IDST XXX	Science, Technology, and the World*	3
		TOTAL			16
Junior – Fall			Junior – Spring		
SOWK 372	Social Work Practice with Groups	4	SOWK 420	Social Welfare Policies	3
SOWK 385	Introduction to Research in Social Work	3	SOWK 356	Engaging Diversity and Inequality	3
PHIL/RELI XXX	Philosophy/Religion*	3	ART/MUSI	Arts*	3
THEO XXX	Christian Beliefs	3		Free Elective	(3)
	Free Elective	(3)		Free Elective	(3)
		TOTAL			15
Senior – Fall			Senior – Spring		
SOWK 475	Social Work Practice with Communities & Organizations	3	SOWK 485	Seminar in Social Work Practice	3
SOWK 476	Field Experience Communities and Organizations**	1	SOWK 490	Field Practice in Social Work	12
SOWK 484	Preparation for Field Practice	1	To enhance a student's learning, the Social Work Program highly encourages students to spend a semester in Harrisburg, and/or to take advantage of any of the cross cultural/ semester abroad opportunities offered through Messiah College.		
ECON 110/117/120	One of the listed economic courses	3			
WELL XXX	Wellness Course	1			
	Free Elective	3			
	Free Elective	3			
		TOTAL			15

*QuEST requirement

**Meets ELI service learning requirement.

Human Services (B.A.) 8 Semester Plan

Note: This major may not be student-initiated.

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
First Year – Fall			First Year – Spring		
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar*	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community*	3
COMM 105	Oral Communication*	3	SOWK 221	Human Behavior	3
Varies	1 st language*	3	LAB XXX	Laboratory Science* (1 st year)	3-4
SOWK 120	Introduction to Social Work	3	Varies	2 nd language* (1 st or 2 nd year)	3
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology*	3	SOCI 101	Principles of Sociology	3
TOTAL		15	TOTAL		15-16
Sophomore – Fall			Sophomore – Spring		
LANG XXX	3 rd language or Cross Cultural* (2 nd or 3 rd year)	3	Varies	Mathematical Science* (1 st year)	3
HIST 142	U.S. History Survey Since 1865*	3	PHIL/RELI xxx	Philosophy/Religion* (1 st or 2 nd year)	3
BIBL 20X	Knowledge of the Bible* (2 nd -4 th year)	3	SOWK 360	Social Work Practice w/ Families	3
SOWK 250	Social Work Practice w/ Individuals	3	SOWK 361	Field Experience w/ Families	1
SOWK 251	Field experience w/ Individuals	1	Varies	Literature* (1 st or 2 nd year)	3
SOWK 382	Topics in Social Work	3			
TOTAL		16	TOTAL		16
Junior – Fall			Junior – Spring		
THEO 2xx	Christian Beliefs* (2 nd or 3 rd year)	3	Varies	Art, Music, Theatre or Dance* (1 st or 2 nd year)	3
IDST xxx	Science, Tech, & World* (3 rd or 4 th year)	3	SOWK 356	Engaging Diversity and Inequality	3
SOWK 372	Social Work Practice w/Groups OR	3-4	SOWK 420	Social Welfare Policies	3
Varies	Social Science elective			Free elective	3
SOWK 385	Introduction to Research in Social Work	3		Free elective	3
TOTAL		12-13	TOTAL		15
Senior – Fall			Senior – Spring		
IDNW xxx	Non-Western Studies* (2 nd or 3 rd year)	2-3	IDS xxx	Ethics/Pluralism/World Views* (3 rd or 4 th year)	3
WELL xxx	Wellness activity* (1 st or 2 nd year)	1	INTE 391 or 394	Internship	6
SOWK 475	Social Work Practice w/ Comm & Org	3	HUMS 485	Human Services Capstone	3
SOWK 476	Field experience w/ Community & Org	1		Free elective, if needed	3
	Free elective	3			
	Free elective	3			
TOTAL		13-14	TOTAL		15

*QuEST requirement