

**FIRST SEMESTER BLUEPRINT
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK**

When planning your first semester...

- Students should register for a minimum of 12 credits and no more than 16.
- All First-Year students are required to take First Year Seminar their first term. This is a required course, and each section focuses on a different topic for students to explore.
- Students who have earned AP, CLEP, or IB credit should refer to the information provided here: [AP, CLEP, IB Credit](#).
- You can view the most up-to-date version of the schedule of classes by accessing [The View](#).

Feel free to contact Dr. Ling Dinse, Department Chair of Social Work (ldinse@messiah.edu), or Professor Michelle George, Field Director of Social Work (mgeorge@messiah.edu), if you have any questions about registration for fall semester courses.

The First Semester Blueprint is your guide to course registration in your first semester. Click on your major to view the recommended courses (developed by your faculty) for your first semester at Messiah.

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Students MUST register for the following courses:		<u>Credits</u>
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar	3
SOWK 099	Professionalism in Social Work	1
SOWK 120	Introduction to Social Work	3
Students SHOULD register for the following courses:		
COMM 105	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
Language Course	(CHIN, FREN, GERM, SPAN)	3
Students may CONSIDER registering for the following:		
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3

Select from the following General Education options to complete your schedule if needed:	<u>Credits</u>
ENGL 110 (24GE: Written Communication)	3
Philosophy/Religion** (24GE: Philosophy/Religion)	3
Literature/Arts** (24GE: Literature & Aesthetic Ways of Knowing)	3

Recommended total credits for your first semester:	12-16 credits
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*Search [The View](#) by attribute type(s) noted above

Specific major-related questions may be directed to Dr. Ling Dinse, ldinse@messiah.edu, or 717-796-1800 ext. 3240.