STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The social work student organizations facilitate community service projects, fundraisers, social and professional activities related to the social work profession’s mission and code of ethics. The various activities promote the enhancement of the well-being of people and communities that are at risk, marginalized, and living in poverty. All social work majors are encouraged to join an organization, hold an office and participate in the wide range of activities including:

- The Whitney Young Social Work Club
- Alpha Delta Mu Honor Society
- Active Minds at NSU (Social Work/Psychology)
- NASW Virginia Chapter
- NABSW Hampton Roads Chapter

BSW STUDENTS HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO:

- Work with local agencies through a field practicum experience (internship)
- Develop knowledge, values, and skills to work with people from diverse backgrounds
- Utilize community resources and build partnerships
- Attend professional conferences and other professional development opportunities
- Provide service intervention in diverse community settings
- Engage with diverse faculty and staff

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) majors may apply for the advanced standing status when applying for a Masters in Social Work (MSW) program. Advanced standing programs are designed for students who have earned a BSW from a CSWE accredited undergraduate degree program, and meet the academic standards for the status.

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The Baccalaureate Social Work (BSW) Program at Norfolk State University is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

THE BSW PROGRAM:

• Prepares students to deliver entry-level generalist social work practice to individuals, families, communities, and organizations.

• Empowers students to address social injustices with an emphasis on cultural diversity, critical thinking, and human rights.

• Consists of two phases: The pre-social work and professional social work programs.

• Consists of a field placement experience during the senior year.

• Offers an Honors in Social Work program and the Child Welfare Stipend program.

BSW PROGRAM CURRICULUM

FIRST YEAR - SEMESTER I
HED 100  Personal and Community Health
ENG 101  College English I
MTH 103  Contemporary Math
CSC 150  Computer Literacy
PED 100  Fund. Fitness for Life
HIS 100  History of World Societies I
SEM 101  Spartan Seminar I

FIRST YEAR - SEMESTER II
ENG 102  College English II
SOC 101   Introduction to Social Science Problem Solving Cluster
PSY 210  Introduction to Psychology
BIO 105/105L   Human Bio and Lab
SEM 102  Spartan Seminar II

SECOND YEAR – SEMESTER I
SWK 200  Intro to Social Work
POS 231  State and Local Govt.
SCI 101   Intro. to Physical Science
ECN 200  Basic Principles of Economics
HUM 210  Humanities
SEM 201  Spartan Seminar III

SECOND YEAR – SEMESTER II
SWK 207  Social Welfare Policies I
ENG 285  Public Speaking
SWK 220  Human Behavior and the Social Env. I
PSY 280  Abnormal Psychology
Elective  Optional Elective

THIRD YEAR _ SEMESTER I
SWK 300  Social Welfare Policies II
SWK 309  Human Behavior and the Social Env. II
SWK 312  Intro. to Generalist Practice
PSY 250  Social Psychology
POS 345  Statistics and Data Processing

THIRD YEAR – SEMESTER II
SWK 313  Generalist Practice: Indiv./Fam.
SWK 319  Human Behavior and the Social Env. III
POS 333  Research Methods
Elective  Social Work Elective
Cultural Perspective (Soc. Sci.)

FOURTH YEAR – SEMESTER I
SWK 318  Generalist Practice: Groups, Communities, and Organizations
SWK 490  Practicum Seminar I
SWK 495  Practicum in Social Work I
SWK 498A  BSW Field Orientation I
Elective  Social Work Elective
Cultural Perspective (Humanities)

FOURTH YEAR – SEMESTER II
Elective  Social Work Elective
SWK 416  Generalist Practice: Evaluation
SWK 491  Practicum Seminar II
SWK 496  Practicum in Social Work II
SWK 498B  BSW Field Orientation II

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