

NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY
THE ETHELYN R. STRONG SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE (BSW)

FRESHMAN YEAR

Semester I	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
	Thematic Area I DDL: See Course list (select one)	3	
	Written Communication- *ENG 101	3	
	Quantitative Reasoning- MTH 103 or higher	3	
	Digital Literacy —*CSC 150 Computer Literacy or *CSC 200 Advanced Computer Concepts or *CLM 165 Computer Literacy for Musicians or *FIA 280 Computer Applications in the Arts	3	
	Civic Engagement- HIS 102 United States History to 1865 or HIS 103 United States History Since 1865 or POS 100 American Government	3	
	*SEM 101- Spartan Seminar	1	
	TOTAL	16	

Semester II	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
	Thematic Area I DDL: *ENG 102 College English II (required)	3	
	Thematic Area I DDL: See Course list (select one)	3	
	Thematic Area I DDL: INT 200 Foundations of Democracy and Leadership (required)	3	
	Elective	6	
	*SEM 102- Spartan Seminar II	1	
	TOTAL	16	

- It's time to apply for the Professional Program.

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Semester I	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
SWK 200	Introduction to Social Work	3	
	~Thematic Area II, III, IV: See Course list (Choose ONE (1) Thematic Area & Satisfy Humanities and Fine Arts Area -HUM 210 Humanities or HUM 211 Humanities or FIA 201 Basic Arts Appreciation)	3	
	Scientific Literacy- BIO 100/100L Biological Science or BIO 105 Human Biology and Human Biology Lab or CHM 110/110L Basic Concepts in Chemistry	4	
	Elective	3	
	*SEM 201- Spartan Seminar III	1	
	TOTAL	14	

Semester II	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
POS 345	Statistics and Data Processing for Political Science	3	
	Oral Communication -ENG 285 Public Speaking or DRM 114 Introduction to Theatre	3	
	~Thematic Area II, III, IV: See Courses (Choose ONE (1) Thematic Area)	3	
	PSYCHOLOGY or SOCIOLOGY Elective Course	3	
	Elective	3	
	TOTAL	15	

- ~ 1) Theme selected in sophomore year, 1st semester, must be the same theme as sophomore year, 2nd semester (both courses must come from the same theme.)
- 2) **Minimum grade of C** is required in all Social Work courses and those with * beside them.
- 3) **It is the students' responsibility to meet with their academic advisor every semester to schedule classes.**
- 4) It is the students' responsibility to follow the BSW curriculum sheet in the **sequence** detailed.
- 5) **APPLY FOR THE PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM**- The application is in the School of Social Work – Brown Memorial Hall, Suite 335.00 and on the Social Work Website – *It is due during the first semester sophomore year.* Please see the due date on the application.
- 6) Only one (1) withdrawal (W) and two (2) repeated Social Work courses are allowed to complete the BSW degree.
- 7) Students must maintain a minimum grade point average of **2.5 in social work courses** and an **overall 2.0 grade point average.**

PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK REQUIREMENTS

- The following Social Work (SWK) courses are reserved for students accepted into the BSW Professional Program. Some electives are open to non-majors.
- Students should apply for the **field practicum (internship)** during the *second semester of the junior year* and must meet all pre-requisite requirements for field practicum.

JUNIOR YEAR

Semester I	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
SWK 207	Social Welfare Policies and Services I	3	
SWK 220	Human Behavior and the Social Environment I	3	
SWK 313	Generalist Practice: Individuals and Families (I)	3	
SWK 497	Macro/Micro Perspectives in International Social Welfare	3	
SWK 333	Methods of Social Work Research	3	
	TOTAL	15	

- It's time to apply for the Field Practicum.

Semester II	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
SWK 300	Social Welfare Policies and Services II	3	
SWK 316	Generalist Practice: Communities and Organizations (II)	3	
	Elective	3	
SWK 309	Human Behavior and the Social Environment II	3	
SWK 320	Human Diversity and Social Justice in Social Work	3	
	TOTAL	15	

SENIOR YEAR

Semester I	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
SWK 321	Generalist Practice: Groups (III)	3	
SWK 493	Seminar and Practicum I	6	
	Elective	3	
SWK XXX	Social Work Elective 300 level or higher	3	
	TOTAL	15	

- It's time to apply for Graduation.

Semester II	Course Title	Credit Hours	Grade
SWK XXX	Social Work Elective 300 level or higher	3	
SWK 494	Seminar and Practicum II	6	
	Elective	6	
	TOTAL	15	
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION	121	

Foundations of a Spartan (22 credits); Theme 1 Dynamic of Democracy and Leadership (12 credits); Chose TWO Courses from Theme II, III, IV (6 credits-courses MUST come from the same theme). Foundations of Spartan and Thematic Area Courses are listed in BOLD.

Electives (these courses are not offered every semester) **SWK 314** Nature and Meaning of Child Welfare; **SWK 315** Social Work with Families: Trauma Informed Practice with Children and Families; **SWK 326** Techniques of Counseling; **SWK 327** Interviewing Techniques; **SWK 328** HIV/AIDS in the African American Community; **SWK 329** Community and Neighborhood Development: Social Entrepreneurship; **SWK 411** Contemporary Social Policy Issues; and **SWK 492** Independent Study in Social Work.