

Social Work, Minor

Requirements

The undergraduate minor in social work requires a minimum of 15 s.h. in social work courses, including 12 s.h. taken at the University of Iowa, 6 s.h. of which must be numbered 3000 or above. Students complete one required course and 12 s.h. of departmental elective coursework. They must maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework for the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass. CLAS minors may only be earned concurrent with or subsequent to earning a University of Iowa bachelor's degree. They cannot be granted as standalone credentials or as the sole program of study completed at the University of Iowa.

Social work professional core courses required for the major are not available to students enrolled in the social work minor.

A social work minor provides students with foundational knowledge and skills to better understand and address social issues that affect individuals and communities. Students who are interested in the helping professions, human service organizations, and social change work may benefit from this minor. A social work minor is designed to complement a range of majors and disciplines, including social sciences, business, law, education, and public health.

The minor in social work requires the following coursework.

Required Course

Transfer students can view transfer course tables for approved equivalent courses. Students who have taken an introductory course not listed there may contact the School of Social Work for further guidance.

Course #	Title	Hours
This course:		
SSW:1022	Social Justice and Social Welfare in the United States	3

Electives

Students select 12 s.h. from the following; many courses have an online section.

Course #	Title	Hours
SSW:1200	Mental Health Across the Lifespan	3
SSW:1800	Aging Matters: Introduction to Gerontology	3
SSW:2700	Introduction to Understanding Trauma and Resilience	3
SSW:3135	Global Aging	3
SSW:3500	Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness I	3
SSW:3570	Poverty Policy	3
SSW:3580	Native American Public Policy	3
SSW:3600	Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness II	3
SSW:3712	Human Sexuality, Diversity, and Society	1-3
SSW:3729	Substance Use and Abuse	2-3

SSW:3786	Death/Dying: Issues Across the Life Span	3
SSW:3796	Family Violence	2-3
SSW:3797	Child Welfare Policy and Practice	3
SSW:3900	Campus Sexual Assault: Policy, Prevention, and Intervention	3
SSW:4100	Social Work in the Criminal Justice System	3
SSW:4155	Treatment of Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorders	3
SSW:4200	Social Work in Rural Settings	3
SSW:4700	Motivational Interviewing in Diverse Application	3