



ADVISING WORKSHEET: **SOCIAL WORK**

GENERAL NOTES

- A minimum of 123 credits are required for graduation.
- Credits earned for COM 100 and MAT 100 do not count toward the 123 credits required for graduation. COM 100 may count as elective credit if certain conditions are met.
- Where appropriate, courses required for the major can be used to satisfy General Education requirements. However, the credits earned for these courses are applied to either Gen Ed requirements or the major, not both.
- Paths of Knowledge coursework may count towards major or minor requirements, but may not fulfill a second Mid-Level Liberal Arts Exploration requirement.
- Students are expected to follow the catalog requirements for General Education, the major, and additional requirements.
- A minor or second major within the areas listed under Paths of Knowledge automatically fulfills that area of the Gen Ed requirements.

MAJOR NOTES

A student must complete 45 credits before making formal application to the program. See departmental Student Handbook for additional information.

Social Work applicants must complete an application for entrance into the department, plus have an interview with a departmental faculty before being informed of acceptance.

Students who achieve junior status must maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 to remain in good academic standing within the Social Work Department.

Students may repeat/delete one Social Work course throughout the Social Work program.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MAJORS

The Alvernia University Social Work Association

The focus is on a framework of friendship and international relations through service work with the United Nations. The club requires one international service project per year and one local service project. The two missions go hand in hand. The Social Work Association will further promote the mission of Alvernia University.

Phi Alpha, Zeta Upsilon Chapter

Phi Alpha aims to promote a closer bond among students of social work and to enter into more intimate fellowship with those dedicated to the promotion of humanitarian goals and ideals by a professional group for which quality educational preparation is deemed imperative. Students and faculty involved in social work education at Alvernia University would like to foster high standards of education for social work and to invite into membership those who have attained excellence of scholarship and distinction of achievement as students of social work.

General Education (54-56 credits)

First Year Curriculum: Enduring Questions	Credits Required	Course	Term	Grade	Credits Earned
SRH 101: Search Sem-Enduring Questions or HNR 160: Honor Search-Enduring Questions	3	SRH 101/ HNR 160			
COM 101: Composition & Research <i>(Must earn a C or higher)</i>	3	COM 101			
THE 105: Foundations of Theology	3	THE 105			
PHI 105: Introduction to Philosophy	3	PHI 105			

Mid-Level Liberal Arts Exploration	Credits Required	Course	Term	Grade	Credits Earned
EXPLORING THE NATURAL WORLD (6-8 credits)					
Lab Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) BIO 109	3-4	MET IN REL REQ			
Math (Other than MAT 100) MAT 208	3-4	MET IN REL REQ			
INDIVIDUALS & COMMUNITIES (6 credits)					
History or Political Science	3				
PSY 101, HIS, POS, SOC, SSC, or ECON PSY 101	3	MET IN REL REQ			
CULTURE & LANGUAGE (9 credits)					
Communication <i>(Not COM 100 or 101)</i>	3				
World Language – 2 courses in sequence	3				
	3				
CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS (6 credits)					
Literature (ENG)	3				
Art or Music or Theatre	3				

Ethical Leaders and Followers	Credits Required	Course	Term	Grade	Credits Earned
Theology or Philosophy (200-400 level)	3				
Theology or Philosophy (Ethics/Morality @ 200 level)	3				

Paths of Knowledge – Choose 1 Path		PoK may count towards minor or Related Requirements, but not Mid-Level Arts Exploration requirements.			
<p>_____ PATH 1:</p> <p>Interdisciplinary Study (IS) Three courses, at least two from Liberal Arts disciplines, not the major, at the 200-400 level from the interdisciplinary minors of Women & Gender Studies, Digital Media, Community & Environmental Sustainability, Community Engagement, Cultural Studies, Leadership Studies or Pre-Law.</p>	<p>_____ PATH 2:</p> <p>Multi-disciplinary Study (MS) Three courses, at least two from Liberal Arts disciplines, not the major, at the 200-400 level employing multiple disciplinary perspectives to explore the Enduring Questions in one of the following themes: Cultural & Global Studies, Imagination & Creativity, Peace & Conflict, Poverty & Wealth or Sustainability, Science & Technology.</p>	<p>_____ PATH 3:</p> <p>In-depth Disciplinary Study (DS) Three courses at the 200-400 level in one Liberal Arts discipline other than one's major, guided by common ideas and methods of inquiry. Students choose from Art, Biology, Chemistry, Communication, Computer Science, Economics, English, History, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Theology, Theatre or World Languages. This path may be used to give students a firm foundation in a discipline supporting their chosen major, or to pursue an interest in one of the Liberal Arts disciplines.</p>			
Course (See Catalog for lists of approved courses for each area.)		Area or Discipline	Term	Grade	Credits Earned

BSW SOCIAL WORK (64 credits)

REQUIRED COURSES (43 credits) **Grade of C or better is required for all Social Work courses**					
Course	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Term	Grade	Credits
SW 201: Introduction to Social Work					3
SW 301: Social Welfare	SW 201				3
SW 302: Social Policy	SW 301				3
SW 303: Human Behavior/Social Environment I	SW 201, PSY 101, SOC 111				3
SW 304: Human Behavior/Social Environment II	SW 303				3
SW 305: Social Work Practice I	SW 201, one course in PSY, one course in SOC				3
SW 306: Social Work Practice II	SW 305				3
SW 316: Introduction to Field Education	SW 305				3
SW 401: Social Work Practice III	SW 306				3
SW 402: Social Work Practice IV – Capstone	SW 401				3
SW 403: Senior Field Education I	SW 306, 316	SW 407			4
SW 404: Senior Field Education II	SW 401	SW 408			4
SW 405: Methods of Social Research	MAT 208 or 209, senior standing (juniors need instructor's permission)				3
SW 407: Senior Field Education I Seminar	All major requirements	SW 403			1
SW 408: Senior Field Education II Seminar	All major requirements	SW 404			1

REQUIRED SOCIAL WORK ELECTIVES (9 credits) Students must take <u>three courses</u> from the list below: **Grade of C or better is required for all Social Work courses**			
Course	Pre-Requisites	Grade	Credits
SW 202: Social Services to Children			3
SW 203: The Process of Aging			3
SW 209: Death, Dying, & Bereavement (Fulfills Human Diversity Requirement)			3
SW 211: Intervention Strategies for Families			3
SW 220: Mental Health Across the Lifespan			3
SW 231: Culturally Sensitive Human Practice (Fulfills Human Diversity Requirement)			3
SW 322: Healthcare, Chronic Illness, and the Social Work Profession			3

RELATED REQUIREMENT (12 credits)			
Course	Term	Grade	Credits
SOCIOLOGY			3
BIO 109: Human Biology			3
MAT 208			3
PSY 101: Introductory Psychology			3

ELECTIVES or MINOR as required for the minimum 123 credits (not including MAT 100, COM 100)			
	Term	Grade	Credits

*** Please be advised to double check the 22-23 Course Catalog to ensure that you meet all prerequisite expectations for all required and related classes for this major.***

EIGHT SEMESTER PLAN

****Courses in red should be taken in the semester indicated****

Semester 1	Credits	Semester 2	Credits
SRH 101: Search Seminar or HNR 160: Honors Search	3	SW 201: Introduction to Social Work	3
THE 105 OR PHI 105	3	THE 105 OR PHI 105	3
COM 101: Composition & Research	3	SW ELECTIVE	3
PSY 101 or SOC 111	3	PSY 101 or SOC 111	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15
Semester 3	Credits	Semester 4	Credits
SW 303: Human Behavior/Social Environment I	3	SW 304: Human Behavior/Social Environment II	3
MAT 208	3	PHI 200 or THE 210	3
SW ELECTIVE	3	BIO 109: Human Biology	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15
Semester 5	Credits	Semester 6	Credits
SW 301: Social Welfare	3	SW 302: Social Policy	3
SW 305: Social Work Practice I	3	SW 306: Social Work Practice II	3
THE/PHI 200-level	3	SW 316: Introduction to Field Education	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	SW ELECTIVE	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15
Semester 7	Credits	Semester 8	Credits
SW 401: Social Work Practice III	3	SW 402: Social Work Practice IV - Capstone	3
SW 403: Senior Field Education I	4	SW 404: Senior Field Education II	4
SW 405: Methods of Social Research	3	SW 408: Senior Field Education II Seminar	1
SW 407: Senior Field Education I Seminar	1	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
ELECTIVE	3	ELECTIVE	2
TOTAL	17	TOTAL	16

ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS	GRADUATION CREDITS EARNED	
___ SRH 101/HNR 160: Search Seminar- Enduring Questions ___ HUMAN DIVERSITY ___ COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS ___ OVERALL GPA = 2.5 or higher ___ GPA IN MAJOR = 2.0 or higher ___ SENIOR CAPSTONE met with SW 407 ___ WRITING ENHANCED COURSE (SW 405)	___ Minimum of 123 non-remedial credits earned ___ 45 of last 60 credits ___ Minimum of 12 Alvernia credits in the major ___ Minimum of 9 Alvernia credits in the minor (if applicable)	Liberal Arts Core credits earned	
		Major and Related Area credits earned	
		Elective and/or Minor credits earned	
		SUBTOTAL	
		SUBTRACT CREDITS EARNED FOR MAT 100, and if applicable COM 100	
		TOTAL GRADUATION CREDITS	

Academic Policy on Eligibility for Participation of May Commencement Ceremony

The academic policy, which the Registrar follows, is: A student who has 6 or less credits remaining to complete the degree may participate in the May Commencement Ceremony.

***Application Deadlines:** August Graduation - December 1; December Graduation - March 1; May Graduation - October 1.
 Any questions, please call the Registrar's Office.*