

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO  
COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES  
Bachelor of Social Work (BSW-SOWK)**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

UTEP ID# \_\_\_\_\_

**Degree Evaluation:** To generate a degree evaluation using your transcripts please log in to goldmine and select "Degree Evaluation" under Student Records.  
**Goldmine Website:** [goldmine.utep.edu](http://goldmine.utep.edu)

**Grade Requirement:** All courses used to satisfy degree requirements must be completed with a **C or higher**.

**2019 - 2020 University Core**

All courses used to satisfy the core curriculum must be completed with a C or better.

**Social Work Application:** Students wishing to enter the Professional Course Sequence must submit a completed application to the Social Work Program. Program Application Dates can be found on the Social Work Website.

**CHS Website:** <http://www.utep.edu/chs/>  
**SOWK Website:** <http://www.utep.edu/chs/sw/>

**Clinical Compliance Requirements:** All students entering the SOWK major course sequence must meet compliance requirements. See the following website: <http://www.utep.edu/chs/compliance/>

	Hrs	Grade
<b>1. Communication (6 Hrs)</b>		
RWS 1301 Rhetoric and Composition 1: or ESOL 1311 Expos Engl Compos-Spkr Esl prereqs for RWS 1301: ENGL 0311 or placement by exam prereqs for ESOL 1311: ESOL 1406 and ESOL 1309 or placement by exam	3	
RWS 1302 Rhetoric and Composition 2 or ESOL 1312 Res&Crit Writ-Spkr ESL or ENGL 1313 Writ abt Lit prereqs for RWS 1302 and ENGL1313: RWS 1301 prereqs for ESOL 1312: ESOL 1311 and ESOL 1310	3	
<b>2. Mathematics (3 hrs)</b>		
MATH 1320 Math for the Social Sciences (or higher) prereqs: MATH 0311 or placement by exam	3	
<b>3. Life and Physical Sciences (6 hrs + 1 hr for lab)</b>		
BIOL 1305/1107 General Biology w/ Topics in Study of Life I Lab prereqs: MATH 0311 or placement by exam	4	
BIOL 2311 Anatomy and Physiology I prereqs: BIOL 1305/1107 w/ C or better or ZOOL 2406	3	
<b>4. Language, Philosophy, &amp; Culture (3hrs)</b>		
*Select one 3 credit hour course: ENGL 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, 2318, FREN 2322, HIST 2301, 2302; PHIL 1301, 2306, RS 1301, SPAN 2340, or WS 2300, 2350. prereqs for ENGL 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, and ENGL 2318: RWS 1302 or ENGL 1313 or ESOL 1312	3	
<b>5. Creative Arts (3 Hrs)</b>		
*Select one 3 credit hour course: ART 1300, ARTH 1305, 1306; DANC 1304, MUSL 1321, 1324, 1327 THEA 1313, FILM 1390	3	
<b>6. American History (6 hrs)</b>		
HIST 1301	3	
HIST 1302	3	
<b>7. Government/Political Science (6 hrs)</b>		
POLS 2310	3	
POLS 2311 must include TX government	3	
<b>8. Social and Behavioral Sciences (3 hrs)</b>		
PSYC 1301 Intro. to Psychology prereqs: ENGL 0312 or placement by exam	3	
<b>9. Component Area Option (6 Hrs) - UNIV1301 and COMM1301 suggested</b>		
Select two 3 credit hour courses: BUSN 1301, COMM 1301, COMM 1302, CS1310, CS1320, SCI1301, UNIV1301	3	
	3	
<b>(Core curriculum = 42 Hrs plus 1 Hr for lab) Total</b>	<b>43</b>	

	Hrs	Grade
<b>Pre-Professional Courses</b>		
SOCI 1301 Intro Sociology	3	
Modern Language Requirement: 2-semester sequence of modern foreign language at the 2000 or higher level. <b>SPAN2301/2302 or 2303/2304 strongly recommended.</b> **If student tests out of 2000-level language through placement exam, language credits may be filled with elective coursework.	3	
SOWK 2310 Intro to Social Work and Social Welfare	3	
Statistics course (Select one of the following): PSYC 1303, SOCI 2312, or STAT 1380 prereqs for PSYC1303: MATH 1320, 1411, or 1508 w/ C or better prereqs for SOCI2312: MATH 1319, 1320, 1411, or 1508 w/ C or better prereqs for STAT1380: MATH 0311, 1319, 1320, 1411, or 1508 w/ C or better	3	
RWS 3355 (preferred) or RWS 3359 prereqs for RWS 3355 and RWS 3359: RWS 1302, ENGL 1313, or ESOL 1312	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	

\*See UTEP Catalog for course descriptions: [catalog.utep.edu](http://catalog.utep.edu)

**Major: Social Work**

	Hrs	Grade
<b>Fall Semester (Junior Year)</b>		
SOWK 2320 Social Welfare Policy and Services I prerequisites: SOWK 2310 w/ C or better and departmental approval	3	
SOWK 2331 Human Behavior & Social Environment I prerequisites: SOWK 2310 w/ C or better and departmental approval	3	
SOWK 3355 Generalist Social Work Practice I prerequisites: SOWK 2310 w/ C or better and departmental approval	3	
SOWK 3430 Research Methods in Social Work prerequisites: SOWK 2310 and PSYC 1303 or SOCI 2312 or STAT 1380 each w/ C or better	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	

**Field Education Application:** All Social Work students currently admitted into the Social Work Professional Course Sequence must submit the Application to Social Work Field Education no later than **December 15th of their Junior Year.**

	Hrs	Grade
<b>Spring Semester (Junior Year)</b>		
SOWK 3320 Social Welfare Policy and Services II prerequisites: SOWK 2320 w/ C or better	3	
SOWK 3325 Culturally-Grounded Social Work prerequisites: SOWK 2310 w/ C or better and junior status.	3	
SOWK 3341 Human Behavior & Social Environment II prerequisites: SOWK 2331 w/ C or better	3	
SOWK 3358 Generalist Social Work Practice II prerequisite: SOWK 3355 w/ C or better	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	

	Hrs	Grade
<b>Fall Semester (Senior Year)</b>		
SOWK 3350 Diagnostic Systems for Generalist So. Work prerequisites: SOWK 3355 w/C or better and junior status	3	
SOWK 4281 Generalist Field Seminar I or SOWK 4283 Honors Field Seminar I ( <b>Honors Only</b> ) prerequisites: SOWK 3320, SOWK 3341, and SOWK 3358	2	
SOWK 4380 Generalist Field Instruction I prerequisites: Admission to Field	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	

	Hrs	Grade
<b>Spring Semester (Senior Year)</b>		
SOWK 4282 Generalist Field Seminar II or SOWK 4284 Honors Field Seminar II ( <b>Honors Only</b> ) prerequisites: SOWK 4281 or 4283; SOWK 4380	2	
SOWK 4370 Generalist Social Work Practice III prerequisites: SOWK 3320, SOWK 3341, and SOWK 3358	3	
SOWK 4390 Generalist Field Instruction II prerequisites: SOWK 4281 or 4283; SOWK 4380; admission to Field	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	

	Hrs	Grade
<b>Social Work Electives/Support Courses</b>		
<b>Select from the following:</b>	3	
SOWK 3170, 3270, 3326, 3336, 3345, SOWK 3346, 3365, 3370, 3375	3	
<b>Any course from the following subjects can be selected:</b>	3	
AFST, ANTH, CHIC, CRIJ, HSCI, PHIL, POLS, PSYC, SOCI, WS	3	
<b>BSW Honors Students only:</b> SOWK5331, 5332, 5333		
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	

**Total degree plan hours: 120**

CHS Academic Advisor _____	Date _____
<b>Updated</b> _____	<b>Advisor/Notes</b> _____

Updated:  
CGPA \_\_\_\_\_  
SOWK GPA \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL  
TRANSFER  
HOURS

**University Graduation Requirements**

All university core prerequisite classes must be completed with a C or better.  
All required freshman level courses specific to your degree plan must be completed prior to earning 90 semester hours.  
A minimum of 30 semester hours must be completed at UTEP.  
12 of the last 30 semester hours must be completed at UTEP  
12 hours of advanced courses must be completed within 3 years of graduation.  
Minimum cumulative grade point average is 2.0 ("C" average).  
A maximum of 66 semester hours of credit from two-year institutions is applicable toward a degree at UTEP.  
[catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/academic-regulations/general-requirements-for-undergraduate-degrees/](http://catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/academic-regulations/general-requirements-for-undergraduate-degrees/)

# SOCIAL WORK FAQs

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg); font-weight: bold; font-size: 2em;">APPLYING</p>	<p>Q: Do I have to apply to the Social Work major?</p> <p>A: Any student in good standing (2.0 or higher) can declare the Social Work Major. However, an <b>application</b> is required to be admitted to the <b>professional sequence</b> of the BSW program. The professional sequence is the final 2 years (junior &amp; senior years) of the program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admission to the BSW professional sequence is competitive. Students should aim for a <b>minimum 3.0 overall GPA</b> to be competitive for admission.</li> </ul>
	<p>Q: What does the application entail?</p> <p>A: All application details can be found on the Social Work Webpage: <a href="https://www.utep.edu/chs/sw/academic-programs/prospective-students/bachelor-of-social-work.html">https://www.utep.edu/chs/sw/academic-programs/prospective-students/bachelor-of-social-work.html</a></p>
	<p>Q: Do I have to have all of the courses on the left hand-side of the degree plan done before I apply?</p> <p>A: No, but you must be <b>on track</b> to complete all of the courses on the left side of the degree plan by the <b>summer</b> before the BSW program begins.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You can have a maximum of <b>2 courses</b> left to complete in the summer semester.</li> <li>All other courses must be completed in spring or earlier.</li> </ul>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg); font-weight: bold; font-size: 2em;">FOREIGN LANGAUGE</p>	<p>Q: When does the professional sequence start?</p> <p>A: The professional sequence of the BSW program starts once a year in fall. There is no spring or summer start for the professional sequence.</p>
	<p>Q: What is the foreign language requirement for the BSW program?</p> <p>A: Students must complete a 2-semester sophomore-level (2000) sequence of a modern foreign language. SPAN2301/2302 or SPAN2303/2304 are strongly recommended.</p> <p>Q: Can I test out of the language requirement?</p> <p>A: You can take the placement test for Spanish or French through the UTEP Testing Center. <a href="http://testing.utep.edu/Testing/SpanishFrench">http://testing.utep.edu/Testing/SpanishFrench</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Depending on the results of your placement exam, you <i>may</i> place out of the entire 6 cr. language requirement, or you <i>may</i> be required to take between 1 and 4 semesters of foreign language.</li> <li>If you place out of any part of the language requirement (3 cr. or 6 cr.), you will use open electives (any subject) to fill the credits you need to “make up” to reach the 120 credits required for graduation.</li> <li>Please see an advisor in CHS once you have completed your placement test for guidance.</li> <li>Note that the CLEP exam will <b>not fill</b> the BSW language requirement.</li> </ul>