

SOCIAL WORK MINOR

Banner Code: SOCW

Academic Advising

Website: <https://chhs.gmu.edu/students/academic-advising/undergraduate-advising>

The minor in social work requires 15 credits and provides students with conceptual, theoretical, and practical knowledge related to the field of social work at the individual, family, group, community, and societal levels.

Note: Social work practice courses and internship experiences are only open to social work majors.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor and students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00. Students should be familiar with university-wide requirements for minors described in AP.5.3.4 Minors (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 15

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
SOCW 200	Introduction to Social Work (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
SOCW 375	Human Behavior and the Family Life Course (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
SOCW 380	Changing Social Policies and Systems	3
Total Credits		9

Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select two from the following:		6
SOCW 312	Knowledge Building for Helping Professionals	
SOCW 390	Analytic Methods for Social Work Research	
SOCW 400	Legal and Ethical Issues in Human Services	
SOCW 410	Substance Use, Misuse, and Disorder: Programs and Policies	
SOCW 415	Child and Family Welfare	
SOCW 435	Introduction to Gerontology	
SOCW 445	Social Determinants of Health	

SOCW 475	Selected Topics in Social Work Policy	
SOCW 483	Selected Topics in Social Work Intervention	
Total Credits		6

Note:

The following courses are **not** open to students enrolled in this minor. See an advisor in the social work program for more information.

Code	Title	Credits
SOCW 311	Building Professional Social Work Skills	3
SOCW 357	Methods of Social Work Intervention I	3
SOCW 358	Methods of Social Work Intervention II	3
SOCW 361	Methods of Social Work Intervention I: Laboratory	3
SOCW 362	Methods of Social Work Intervention II: Laboratory	3
SOCW 471	Research in Social Work	3
SOCW 472	RS: Integrative Methods in Social Action and Social Change (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
SOCW 495	Field Practicum and Seminar I	5
SOCW 496	Field Practicum and Seminar II	5