

HUMAN SERVICES: SOCIAL WORK STUDIES - CSCU TRANSFER DEGREE, AA

Program code: HSSW-AA-TAP

Location: Asnuntuck, Capital, Gateway, Housatonic, Manchester, Middlesex, Naugatuck Valley, Northwestern, Norwalk, Quinebaug Valley, Three Rivers, Tunxis

Program Description

Admission to CSU Social Work programs is highly competitive. This A.A. degree does **not** guarantee admission to any CSU Social Work degree program. With this degree, you will be able to transfer to any CSU and apply to the following majors at the following campuses:

- Central Connecticut State University Social Work, B.A.
- Eastern Connecticut State University Social Work, B.A.
- Southern Connecticut State University Social Work, B.S.
- Western Connecticut State University Social Work, B.A.

The Social Work Studies A.A. degree is the first degree towards becoming a State of CT certified social worker.

Learning Outcomes

- Students who complete this degree are prepared to transfer to a four-year CSU university with junior status.
- Students who complete this degree are prepared to apply for admission to a CSU Social Work B.A. degree program.

In addition to the above, students who complete this program of study should be able to:

- Identify the historical and philosophical foundations of social welfare
- Apply the ecological system perspective to micro-, meso-, and macro-client systems
- Demonstrate basic assessment and problem-solving skills to a range of micro-, meso-, and macrosystems problems
- Identify and resolve ethical dilemmas
- Develop and sustain professional relationships with diverse populations
- Demonstrate active listening, verbal, non-verbal, and written communication skills with diverse populations
- 7. Self-evaluate thoughts, feelings and behaviors to ensure professional conduct.

How to Apply to a CSU Social Work Program

For Admission to CCSU's Social Work Program

1. Minimum overall GPA of 2.00, which includes both CCSU grades and grades for courses taken at other institutions.
2. Minimum overall GPA of 2.50 for the following introductory Social Work courses and related requirements (Program GPA) Community College SOC 1003 Social Problems, HSER 1001 Introduction to Human Services/SOC 235, SOC 1001 Principles of Sociology, BIO 115, POLS 1002 American Government, & MATH 1200 Statistics I/ MAT 201/MATH 1201 Statistics I with Computer Applications/MAT

- 168; AND CCSU SW 225, SW 227, SOC 233, & ECON 200. Each of these courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C.
3. A minimum score of 2 (emerging) on the Potential for Professional Competence for Generalist Social Work Practice Scale in each of the following CSWE competencies 2.1.1, 2.1.3, and 2.1.4.
4. A minimum score of 3 or higher in every category of the Volunteer Experience Evaluation for HSER 1001 Introduction to Human Services/SOC 235 and SW 227.
5. Minimum scores of 3 on the Professional Social Work Disposition Rubric for SW 225, HSER 1001 Introduction to Human Services/SOC 235, and SW 227.

The Transfer Student Reference Form may be substituted for field experiences from other colleges. Applications to the Social Work Program are accepted three times a year with deadlines of August 1st, October 1st, and March 1st. Students must submit an admission portfolio and have an interview with the Social Work faculty. The ideal time to apply to the Program is when the applicant is enrolled in SW 227 at CCSU. For TAP Transfer Students, this should be in the first semester at CCSU.

For Admission to ECSU's Social Work Program

Admission to the Social Work Program is competitive and is not guaranteed by admission to Eastern Connecticut State University. Applications for the social work major are due on January 31 each year for students expecting to graduate in May, two years following application. Applications received after that date are reviewed as space is available in the junior class. The online application must be completed in one session (you cannot log out of your computer, save your work, or return to a survey that has been submitted).

You should prepare the following documents to be uploaded with your application:

1. Application Essay
2. Resume (optional)
3. Supplemental information regarding community standards (if relevant)
4. Transcripts from all higher education institutions attended (see instructions)
5. Professional Reference

For Admission to SCSU's Social Work Program

Students interested in majoring in social work must complete a two-step admission process. Initially, students must be accepted into the University by the Admissions Office. Then, application is made for admission to the Bachelor of Social Work Program in the spring semester prior to the fall semester in which students anticipate enrolling in 300-level social work courses. Applications are available on the Department of Social Work website. The Department of Social Work admissions application deadline is the 1st of March. Students who plan to apply to both SCSU and the BSW Program for a Fall semester date may need to complete both admission processes simultaneously. For optimal consideration for acceptance into the program, you must express your intent to apply prior to the March 1 admissions application deadline by emailing the BSW Coordinator.

For Admission to WCSU's Social Work Program

Social work majors must earn at least a "C+" in all designated major courses to have the course credit apply to the degree program. Students must apply for junior and senior program status following a group

advisement session (for potential Juniors in late fall preceding the registration period for spring semester; for potential Seniors in spring semester of the junior year). Transfer students are required to interview with the department chair, the student must arrange the meeting and meet the above criteria. The Junior standing class is limited to 45 Social Work majors. If applications that meet minimum requirements exceed 45 majors, the 45 students with the top GPAs in Social Work Major Requirements will be given first preference, with university GPA serving as Social Work GPA tiebreaker.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Framework Courses		
ENG 1010	Composition	3
MATH 1200	Statistics I	3
Elective ARHX - Arts & Humanities Course		3-4
BIO 1111	Cell Biology with Organ Systems	4
or BIO 1100/1100L	Principles of the Human Body	
SOC 1001	Principles of Sociology	3
Elective WRIX - Written Communication II Course		3
Elective SCKX - Scientific Knowledge Course		3-4
Elective HISX - Historical Knowledge Course		3
Elective ORAX - Oral Communication Course		3
CCS 1001	College and Career Success	3
Pathway Courses		
Elective GLKY - Global Knowledge Course		3
Elective CRTY - Creativity Course		3
PSY 1011	General Psychology I	3
SOC 1003	Social Problems	3
POLS 1002	American Government	3
ANTH 1005	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3
HSER 1001	Introduction to Human Services	3
or SOC 1035	Introduction to Social Welfare	
Directed (chose 1 or 2 course(s) below) and Unrestricted Electives ¹		9
POLS 1022		
PSY 2012	Health Psychology	
PSY 2045	Abnormal Psychology	
SOC 2010	Sociology of the Family	
SOC 2020	Racial and Ethnic Diversity	
SOC 2025	Death and Dying	
SOC 2085	Community Organization	
HSER 1535	Child Advocacy in Human Services	
HSER 1643		
HSER 1034	Introduction to the Mental Health System	
HSER 1040		
Introduction to Behavioral Healthcare		
HSER 1070		
Introduction to Gerontology		
HSER 2247		
Change Theory and Strategies in Behavioral Health Care		
HSER 2543		
Social and Contemporary Issues in Human Services		

HSER 2002	Introduction to Counseling and Interviewing
HSER 2420	Group and Interpersonal Relations
HSER 2106	Professional, Legal, and Ethical Issues in Human Services
HSER 2441	Human Services Agencies and Organizations
HSER 2242	Human Services Skills and Methods
HSER 2600	Supervision and Management in Human Services
HSER 2351	Working with Individuals and Families
HSER 2696	Human Services Practicum I
HSER 2690	Behavioral Healthcare Fieldwork
Total Credits	61-63

¹ SOC 2010 Sociology of the Family recommended as an unrestricted elective

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