

This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding "critical courses" for this particular Program of Study.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade ¹	Major GPA ²	Code	Prerequisites	Notes
Semester One (15-16 Credit Hours)							
	ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition	3	C		CC-CMW		
	STAT 201 Elementary Statistics ³	3			CC-ARP	MATH 111/115 or STAT 110	
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴	3-4			CC		
	Any approved CC-GSS course from Psychology (PSYC) or Sociology (SOCY)	3			CC-GSS		
	UNIV 101 The Student in the University or Carolina Core Requirement ⁴	3			PR/CC		
Semester Two (15-16 Credit Hours)							
	ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition	3	C		CC-CMW CC-INF		
	MATH 122 Calculus for Bus. Admin. & Soc. Sciences or MATH 141 Calculus I ³ or Any other STAT course approved for Carolina Core ARP	3-4			CC-ARP	MATH 111/1111/115 (MATH 122 only); MATH 112, 115, 116 (MATH 141 only); or Math placement test score	
	POLI 201 American National Government	3			CC-VSR		
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴	3			CC		
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Semester Three (16 Credit Hours)							
	SOWK 201 Intro. to Social Work Profession & Social Welfare	3	C	*	MR		
	Economics course	3			CR		
	Literature course (200-level or above) ⁵	3			CR		
	Carolina Core BIOL course and lab	4			CC-SCI		
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁶	3			CC/PR		
Semester Four (15 Credit Hours)							
	SOWK 222 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies, & Programs	3	C	*	MR		
	Philosophy course ⁷	3			CR		
	Cultural Awareness Course ⁸	3			CR		
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁶	3			CC/PR		
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Semester Five (14 Credit Hours)							
!	SOWK 311 Generalist Practice I: Intro. to Social Work Practice	3	C	*	MR	Adm. to Upper Division	
	SOWK 331 Diversity & Social Justice in Contemporary Society	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201	
!	SOWK 341 Human Behavior & Social Environment I: Individual Development across the Life Span	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201	
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁶	3			CC/PR		
	Approved Elective ⁶ (only 2 credits if needed to meet hours to graduate)	2			PR		
Semester Six (15 Credit Hours)							
!	SOWK 312 Generalist Practice II: Social Work with Individuals & Families	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 311; Prereq/Coreq: SOWK 342 (not enforced 2020-2021)	
!	SOWK 322 Social Policy Analysis	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201, 222	
!	SOWK 352 Social Work & Scientific Inquiry	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201, 222 & one from: STAT 201 or higher, PSYC 227 or SOCY 220	
!	SOWK 382 Intro. to Field Education	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 311	
	SOWK Elective (300-level or above)	3	C	*	MR		
Semester Seven (15 Credit Hours)							
!	SOWK 411 Generalist Practice III: Social Work with Small Groups	3	C	*	MR	C or better in SOWK 312	
	SOWK 441 Human Behavior & the Social Environment III: Large Systems	3	C	*	MR		
	SOWK 481 Practicum I: Field Education	3	C	*	MR	Prereq/Coreq: 322; Coreq: SOWK 483	
	SOWK 483 Practicum Seminar	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 382; Coreq: SOWK 481	
	SOWK Elective (300-level or above)	3	C	*	MR		
Semester Eight (15 Credit Hours)							
	SOWK 412 Generalist Practice IV: Organizations and Communities	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 411; Prereq or Coreq: SOWK 441	
	SOWK 422 Advocacy for Social & Economic Justice	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 322	
	SOWK 482 Practicum II: Field Education	3	C	*	MR	Prereq or Coreq: SOWK 412, 422, 484	
	SOWK 484 Capstone	3	C	*	MR	Coreq: SOWK 482	
	SOWK Elective (300-level or above)	3	C	*	MR		

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Major Requirements Hours	College & Program Requirements Hours	Carolina Core Hours	Minimum Institutional GPA
120	60	17-29	31-43	2.000

- Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.5 institutional GPA on all coursework and once admitted to the upper division, students must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA in the major.
- Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
- Students who do not place into the required ARP courses must complete the necessary prerequisites before continuing with the required Carolina Core ARP courses.
- The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
- One 200-level and above literature course, which may be selected from a list of approved courses, is required. See an advisor for details.
- No elective courses of a remedial and developmental nature may apply as credit toward the 120 hours minimum.
- Philosophy courses that are approved Carolina Core courses may also fulfill the VSR or CMS component of the Carolina Core.
- A wide variety of courses can be considered under the general category of "cultural awareness." Students are to consult with their advisors for approved courses.

Program Notes:

- Courses identified as "critical" must be completed by the semester in which they are listed in order to ensure a timely graduation due to prerequisite requirements for subsequent required courses.
- Students in the College of Social Work are required to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language by a score of 2 or higher on the foreign language placement test, or credit equivalent to USC 109 and 110 courses, or credit equivalent to the USC 121 course.
- A student may attempt a social work core course a maximum of two times to fulfill the requirement. A grade of W (withdrawal) will be recognized as an attempt. A student may repeat a maximum of two core courses.
- Progression into upper division social work occurs primarily in the fall semester. Students who complete 39 hours of general education and wish to apply to upper division must submit a completed College of Social Work – BSW Application by the announced due dates published each year.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

Codes:			
CC	Carolina Core	CC-INF	Carolina Core – Information Literacy
CC-AIU	Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding	CC-INT	Carolina Core – Integrative Course
CC-ARP	Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving	CC-SCI	Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy
CC-CMS	Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component	CC-VSR	Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility
CC-CMW	Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component	CR	College Requirement
CC-GFL	Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language	MR	Major Requirement
CC-GHS	Carolina Core – Historical Thinking	PR	Program Requirement
CC-GSS	Carolina Core – Social Sciences		

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.