Social Work

http://www.pacificu.edu/as/socialwork

Social Work is housed in the Social Work and Public Health Department. The department offers the following majors and minors:

Major in Social Work
Major in Public Health
Minor in Public Health

Students interested in majoring in Social Work must apply to the major. This is done after successfully completing the Principles of Social Work course. Application materials are available on the Social Work program homepage. Students cannot declare the major through the typical route.

Students should be aware that the Social Work Program includes substantial time in field placements in various courses and a 440-hour practicum senior year.

We do not offer a minor in Social Work.

The Social Work major must complete the following core courses with a grade of "C-" or better and maintain a 2.75 average in the major.

Requirements for a major in Social Work:

Psy 150	Intro to Psychology	4
Soc 101 or Soc 102	Intro to Sociology or Social Problems	4
SocWk 201	Principles of Social Work	4
SocWk 310	Social work research methods	4
Soc 301	Social Statistics	4
SocWk 300	Micro Social Work Practice	4
SocWk 301	Macro Social Work Practice	4
SocWk 320	Human Behavior in the Social Environment	4
SocWk 351	Social Policy & Social Justice	4
SocWk 325	Counseling and Interviewing Techniques	4
SocWk 480	Pre-practicum Seminar	1
SocWk 481	Social Work Practicum	12
Two elective courses from the following list:		8
SocWK 355	Social Work Special	4

	Topics	
Psy 211	Abnormal Psych	4
Soc 304	Criminology	4
Soc 208	Race: Inequality & Identity	4
Soc 309	Families	4
Anth 101	Intro to Anthropology	4
Soc 217	Gender and Sexuality	4
Soc 266	Deviance	4
Soc 321	Sociology of the City	4
Soc 319	Sociology of Medicine	4
Soc 347	Global Capitalism	4
DS 204	People with Disabilities	4
	Other course as approved	4
	Total: 61	

Social Work students are strongly encouraged to take Human Genetics (BIOL 170) or Human Anatomy (BIOL 224) since many MSW programs require a course in Human Biology as a pre-requisite.

The Social Work Program does not give academic credit for life or previous work experience.

Sample 4-year schedule

Students pursuing a social work major over four years have some flexibility in scheduling. The following outline is intended as a guide and lists only courses for the major in social work. Students must, of course, take courses to fulfill all College and core requirements.

Freshman Year:
- Introduction to Sociology or Social Problems
- Introduction to Psychology

Sophomore Year:
- Principles of Social Work
- Counseling and Interviewing Techniques
- Human Behavior in the Social Environment
- Social work elective

Junior Year:
- Social Work Research Methods
- Social Statistics
- Micro Social Work Practice
- Macro Social Work Practice
- Social Policy & Social Justice

Social work elective
Pre-Practicum Seminar

Senior Year:
Practicum (fall and spring)

Sample 2-year schedule

The courses that transfer students need to take in order to complete the social work major in 2 years will depend upon each student's previous coursework. Typically, transfer students will transfer in some lower division course work.

Junior Year:
Principles of Social Work
Human Behavior in the Social Environment
Social Work Research Methods
Counseling and Interviewing Techniques
Micro Social Work Practice
Macro Social Work Practice
Social Policy & Social Justice
Pre-Practicum Seminar

Senior Year:
Two Social Work Electives
Practicum (2 semesters)

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