SOCIAL WORK, B.S.W.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Greater Allegheny

Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2024-25 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition.

Social Work, B.S.W. at Greater Allegheny Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
PSU 8	1	SOCW 205 (GS) (US/IL)*#	3
SOCW 195 (GS)*#	3	ECON 102 or 104 (GS)†	3
ENGL 15 (GWS)‡†	3	CAS 100 (GWS)‡†	3
General Education Course (Sociology)	3	General Education Course (GN)	3
General Education Course (GA)	3	General Education Course (GA)	3
Elective	3		
	16		**15**

Second Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOCW 215 (GS) (US)*#	3	SOCW 290 (GS)*#	3
PSYCH 100 (GS)†	3	BBH 143 (GHW)†	3
Political Science Course (US)	3	ENGL 202A (GWS)*‡†	3
General Education Course (GN)	3	General Education Course (GQ)	3
General Education Course (GH)	3	General Education Course (GN)	3
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Third Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOCW 300*	3	SOCW 302*	3
SOCW 301*	3	SOCW 303*	3
PSYCH 270 (GS)	3	SOCW 315*	3
SOC 258N (GS) (GHW)	3	HDFS 301	3
STAT 200 (GQ)*‡†	4	General Education Course (GH)	3
	16		**15**

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOCW 495A*	3	SOCW 495B*	9
SOCW 407*	3	400-Level Social Work Supportive Course	3
RHS 433 or PSYCH 442	3	Elective	3
PUBPL 304W*	3		
400-Level Social Work Supportive Course	3		
	15		**15**

Total Credits 122

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University Requirements and General Education Notes:

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W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

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Program Notes:

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General Education Course (GN)	3	General Education Course (GA)	3
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PSYCH 270 (GS)	3	STAT 200 (GQ)‡†	4
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SOCW 205 (GS) (US/IL)$^{*#}$	3	SOCW 300*	3
SOCW 290$^{*#}$	3	HDFS 301	3
SOCW 315*	3	SOCW 301*	3
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