Degrees and Programs

Applicability of Certain Courses

No more than 36 semester hours in any one field of study other than social work may be counted toward the Bachelor of Social Work degree. No more than 60 semester hours of social work may be counted toward the degree.

Physical Activity Courses

Physical activity courses (PED) are offered by the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education. Six semester hours of this coursework may be counted toward the Bachelor of Social Work degree. All physical activity courses are counted among courses for which the student is enrolled, and the grades are included in the grade point average.

ROTC Courses

No more than six semester hours of credit for air force science, military science, or naval science courses may be counted toward the Bachelor of Social Work. Such credit may be used only as lower-division electives in degree programs that have room for such electives and only by students who have completed the third and fourth years of the ROTC program.

Correspondence and Extension Courses

Credit that a University student in residence earns simultaneously by correspondence or extension from the University or elsewhere or in residence at another school will not be counted toward a degree in the Steve Hicks School of Social Work unless specifically approved in advance by the dean. No more than 30 percent of the semester hours required for the Bachelor of Social Work may be taken by correspondence. More information is available from the assistant dean for undergraduate programs.

Courses Taken on the Pass/Fail Basis

Undergraduate students who have received at least 30 semester hours of college credit may take no more than 16 hours of courses in elective subjects outside their major area on the pass/fail basis. Students must state their intention to register on this basis by the deadline given in the official academic calendar; they may not change the basis of registration in a course more than once; and they may not take more than two courses a semester on this basis.

Other Courses

Music 101Q or Music 101V may not be counted toward any degree in the Steve Hicks School of Social Work. Other introductory courses, such as Music 201J, 201M, and 201N, may be counted toward degrees in the school.

No more than six semester hours of Bible courses may be counted toward the Bachelor of Social Work degree.

Core Curriculum

All students must complete the University’s Core Curriculum. A single course may not be counted toward more than one core area, but in some cases a course that is required for the Bachelor of Social Work may also be counted toward the core curriculum; these courses are identified below.

Skills and Experience Flags

In the process of fulfilling the core curriculum and other degree requirements, all students pursuing the Bachelor of Social Work must complete courses that carry flags in the following areas:

a. Writing: Three courses beyond Rhetoric and Writing 306 or the equivalent that carry a writing flag; one of these courses must be upper-division. Social Work 323K and 327 count toward this requirement. Courses used to fulfill the writing requirement may be used to fulfill other requirements.


c. Ethics: One flagged course. Social Work 332 and 333 carry the ethics flag.

d. Quantitative reasoning: One flagged course. Social Work 318 carries the quantitative reasoning flag.

e. Global cultures: One flagged course chosen from approved list.


Foreign Language

In addition to the core curriculum requirements above, undergraduates must earn credit for the second college-level course, or the equivalent, in a foreign language. American Sign Language may be used to fulfill this requirement.