

#### **BSW Student Admission Information Packet 2023**

Admission to the Social Work Program occurs while students are enrolled in at least one of the following core courses: SWK 2361, SWK 2362 or SWK 2389. These courses must be completed by the first-class day of their first Junior semester.

Since admission to the BSW program occurs when students are enrolled in SWK 2361, SWK 2362 or SWK 2389, students who want to transfer these courses from other schools must complete an application to the program PRIOR to enrolling in the upper division (300 or 400 level) social work classes, or within the first 3 days of the semester.

The BSW Admissions Committee will review any applications from transfer students immediately in order to allow continuation in upper division social work courses. Social work degree plans are completed at the time of admission to the program (during the latter part of the sophomore year) by the students and the BSW Director.

For students to enroll in junior-level classes, a "permit" is required. This will allow the BSW Director to ensure all students enrolled in upper division social work classes are qualified to do so. In addition, it will allow any transfer students to be assigned to a faculty advisor at that time.

Students submit an online application including a narrative statement of their interest in Social Work, estimates of grades from current professors, transcripts and reference waiver. Students are also required to request three references. Application forms are available online. The Admissions Committee comprised of the instructors for SWK 2361, SWK 2362 and SWK 2389, will review each application to the major.

#### Admissions criteria include:

- 1. Completion of the required 42-hour University Core (English Composition; American History; American and Texas Government; Humanities; Science, including Human Biology; Math; and Intro to Psychology as the recommended Behavioral Science courses).
- 2. "C" or better in MATH 1342; SOC 1306; SWK 2361, SWK 2362 and SWK 2389.
- 3. An overall Grade Point Average of 2.5 or greater.

Students who have not met all admissions criteria but are likely to be able to do so prior to entry into Field Practicum, may be admitted on a conditional basis, with a readiness plan.

Not everyone is well suited to become a professional social worker; therefore, students are assessed

for their appropriateness to serve people who are vulnerable or oppressed. Those students not admitted will be advised on whether to take remedial action or to select another program or major. Junior and Senior level social work classes are restricted to those students who have been fully or conditionally admitted to the program.

The admissions criteria are designed to help ensure that students who are admitted to the program are likely to succeed and have the potential to become competent and valued members of the profession of social work.

#### **Academic Advising**

Academic advising is helpful to ensure the completion of all requirements in a timely manner. Students are expected to meet with their assigned academic and faculty advisors.

For more information, visit or contact the BSW Program at:

Webpage: <a href="www.tamuc.edu/socialwork">www.tamuc.edu/socialwork</a>
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# **Core & BSW Program Pathway**

	YEAR 1 (CORE)			
Fall	Spring	Fall		
Life Phi. Scie	ENG 1302	ENG 1301		
PSCI 230	HIST 1302	HIST 1301		
Math 1342 (Pr	SWK 2362 (Pre-req.)	Math (Core)		
SOC 1306 (Pre	PSCI 2305	SWK 2361 (Pre-req.)		
Behavior Sci	Degree Pathway Course	UNCO 1301		

YEAR 2 (CORE)						
Fall	Spring					
Life Phi. Science	Life Phi. Science					
PSCI 2306	Lang/Phil/Culture					
Math 1342 (Pre-req.)	Creative Arts					
SOC 1306 (Pre-req.)	SWK 2389 (Pre-req.)					
Behavior Science	Elective					

YEAR 3 (BSW Program)					
	Fall	Spring			
SWK	22 (Virtual) SWK 331 (Virtual)				
SWK	328 (Virtual)	SWK 350 (Virtual)			
SW	K 329 (F2F)	SWK 325 (F2F)			
SWK 370 (F2F) SWK 340 (Virtual)		SWK 348 (F2F)			
		SWK Elective			
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YEAR 3 (BSW Program)		YEAR 4 (BSW Program)		
Fall	Spring		Summer	Fall
K 322 (Virtual)	SWK 331 (Virtual)		SWK 422 (F2F)	SWK 424 (F2F)
K 328 (Virtual)	SWK 350 (Virtual)		SWK 425 (F2F) + 16 hrs.* 10 wks. Internship (3 SCH)	SWK 426 (F2F) +16 hrs. * 16 wks. Internship (6 SCH)
WK 329 (F2F)	SWK 325 (F2F)		Elective	Elective
WK 370 (F2F)	SWK 348 (F2F)		Elective	Elective
K 340 (Virtual)	SWK Elective		-	Elective
42 SCH Core Courses + 60 SCH SW Major Courses (including Pre-reqs.) + 18 SCH Elective Courses = 120 SCH				

**Note:** Consider taking electives during winter and spring minis and summers and PSY 2301 for the Behavior Science course.



### **Required Social Work Courses**

Course	Name	Semester Credit Hours	
MATH 1342	Elementary Statistical Methods	3	
SOC 1306	GLB/US-Social Problems	3	
SWK 2361	Introduction to Social Work	3	
SWK 2362	Social Welfare: Legislation, Programs, and Services	3	
SWK 2389	Academic Cooperative	3	
SWK 322	Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3	
SWK 325	Social Work Practice with Mezzo Systems	3	
SWK 328	Social Welfare Policy and Services	3	
SWK 329	Social Work Practice with Micro Systems	3	
SWK 331	SWK 331 Social Work Practice with Macro Systems		
SWK 340	Global Perspectives on Human Welfare	3	
SWK###	Social Work Elective	3	
SWK 348	SWK 348 Promoting Mental Health Across Populations		
SWK 350	Social Work Research Methods	3	
SWK 370	Writing and Technology Skills in Social Work	3	
SWK 422			
SWK 424	SWK 424 Generalist Practice in the Field		
SWK 425	SWK 425 Field Instruction I		
SWK 426	Field Instruction II	6	
		60 SCH	

**Note:** Students transferring courses from a community college, or another four-year university must take courses equivalent to these courses. Don't hesitate to contact us if you have questions about course equivalency at BSWAdmissions@tamuc.edu.

## TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK BSW PROGRAM

**Prerequisites** FALL SPRING SUMMER FALL 1st and 2nd Year **SWK 322 SWK 2361 SWK 331 SWK 422 SWK 424 Human Behavior &** Introduction to Macro Practice Integration of Generalist Social Work the Social Virtual Practice Practice in Field Environment F2F F<sub>2</sub>F Virtual **SWK 2362** End of Spring Semester
Apply to BSW Social Work Program
Start: Fall Semester Social **SWK 325** Welfare: **SWK 426 SWK 425** End of Spring Semester
Apply to Field Practicum
Start: Summer – Ends: Fall **SWK 328** Mezzo Practice Legislation, Programs, & Field II 6-sch Field I 3-sch Social Policy F2F F2F F2F Services Virtual **SWK 2389 SWK 350 SWK 329** Academic Research Micro Practice Cooperative Virtual F2F **MATH 1342 SWK 348 SWK 370** SOCIAL WORK ELECTIVES\* Elementary Mental Health Writing & Technology Statistical Methods F2F SWK 362 Child Welfare F<sub>2</sub>F SWK 361 Issues in Family Treatment SWK 492 Study Abroad-Costa Rica SWK 497 Special Topics: **SOC 1306 SWK Elective SWK 340** GLB/US-Social [Fall or Spring] Intro to Human Traffic, Intro to Gerontology, & Global **Problems** Perspectives Exploring a Career in SWK [Fall or Spring]