



Arizona State University (Downtown Phoenix)

Social Work, BSW

Study details

Course type: Bachelor's degree

Degree: Social Work, BSW PPSWUSWU

Study mode: Full time

Duration: 48 Month

Cost of study

Cost : 35 430 USD

Reg. fee : 85 USD

Scholarship :

Insurance : 2 765 USD

Intake/s

Jan/May/Aug

Requirements

Academic requirements

First-year students must:

- Have a 3.00 grade point average (GPA) (a "B" or better where "A"=4.00) from a secondary school. Some ASU programs may have higher admission or English proficiency requirements and may consider a minimum ACT or SAT score.
- Must have three years of high school coursework. (If you are currently in high school, ASU needs to see 9–11 grade coursework. If you have completed high school, ASU needs to see 10–12 grade coursework.)
- Must have and present a completed high school diploma or certificate.

Conditional admission

ASU may offer conditional undergraduate admission to international applicants to an on-campus program who meet the academic (aptitude) requirements but who are not proficient in English. This offer of conditional admission will give you time to improve your English proficiency before you start classes at ASU. Your conditional admission offer is good for up to three semesters, during which time you must meet one of these requirements to begin your ASU experience.

Competency requirements

International students who completed high school outside the U.S. are required to meet the following competency requirements:

- Math: four years (algebra I, geometry, algebra II and one course requiring algebra II as a prerequisite).

- Laboratory science: three years total (one year each from any of the following areas are accepted: biology, chemistry, earth science, integrated sciences and physics).

Provide evidence of English language proficiency (TOEFL 61)

Accommodation

Provided by partner agencies

Speciality

Format option

This program is also offered via ASU Sync, specifically for students with transfer credit or those who already hold an associate degree. ASU Sync enables students to attend live classes remotely via Zoom. Classes are designed to foster active collaboration and discussion in real time with faculty and peers.

The program features ASU Sync courses at the upper-division level --- courses numbered from 300 to 499 that are designed primarily for juniors and seniors. It is ideal for transfer students who wish to complete their Bachelor of Social Work degree with live interactions without coming to campus. Prerequisites and other restrictions should be noted before class registration.

Students on I-20 visas are not permitted to complete courses via Sync and should speak with an advisor about other options to complete this program.

Also available online

Additional information

Program description

The curriculum for this undergraduate program leads to a BSW degree.

Students focus on social work courses in social policy and services, human behavior in the social environment, social work practice, research and field instruction in community agencies. In addition, majors take elective courses in related areas.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: West Valley campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150% of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees.

Concurrent program options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a “double major”) earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Program learning outcomes

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Plan, implement and evaluate evidence-based interventions
- Advocate for advanced human rights, social and economic justice
- Apply professional case management intervention skills when working with individuals, families, groups and communities

Global opportunities

Global experience

When participating in a study abroad program, students examine social work through an international lens as it relates to community-building, service organizations, support for disenfranchised people and human rights advocacy.

Cross-cultural understanding is one of the main learning outcomes of study abroad programs and is also one of the most important skills of those moving into social work careers. Students are able to use the knowledge and skills learned in the program and the unique intercultural focus gained from study abroad to enhance their career.

Career opportunities

Graduates are prepared to be generalist social work practitioners who focus on advocacy, referrals, case management and problem-solving functions with individuals, groups, families, organizations and the community.

Employment in social work is expected to increase commensurately with the needs of a growing and diverse population. Social workers are employed in public and private agencies and deal with a wide variety of social issues, including:

- adoption and teen pregnancy
- aging
- child abuse and foster care
- corrections and delinquency
- disability
- discrimination
- domestic violence and family dysfunction
- health and mental health
- homelessness and poverty
- substance abuse

Social work skills such as problem-solving, resource utilization, counseling, group work and community organization are also useful for employee relations and mediation positions in industry.