

Westmoreland County Community College & West Virginia University

Associate of Applied Science in Social Work A.A.S. leading to
Bachelor of Social Work B.S.W.

Suggested Plan of Study



Westmoreland County Community College	Hours	WVU Equivalents	Hours
Year One, 1 st Semester			
PDV 101: First Year Seminar	1	WVUE 191: First Year Seminar	1
SWK 155: Introduction to Social Work	3	SOWK 151: Introduction to Social Work ^(EDG 3)	3
PSY 160: Introduction to Psychology	3	PSYC 101: Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 155: Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 101: Introduction to Sociology	3
ENG 161: College Writing	3	ENGL 101: Composition and Rhetoric	3
Math Elective	3	General Elective	3
TOTAL	16		16
Year One, 2 nd Semester			
ENG 164: Advanced Composition	3	ENGL 102: Composition and Rhetoric	3
SWK 157: Interviewing and Recordkeeping Skills	3	COUN 1TC: Interviewing and Recordkeeping Skills	3
SWK 165: Human Behavior in the Social Environment	3	SOWK 1TC: Human Behavior in the Social Environment	3
CPT 150: Microcomputer Concepts	3	CS 1TC: Microcomputer Concepts	3
POL 155: American National Government (Restricted Elective)	4	POLS 102 ^(Government Course)	4
TOTAL	16		16
Year Two, 1 st Semester			
SWK 160: Group Process	3	COUN 1TC: Group Process	3
SWK 161: Solutions-Focused Counseling	3	COUN 1TC: Solutions-Focused Counseling	3
SWK 171: Introduction to Gerontology	3	GERO 212: Introduction to Gerontology ^(SOWK Practice Elective 1)	3
PSY 270: Abnormal Psychology	3	PSYC 281: Introduction to Psychological Disorders ^(PSYC 200-level Elective)	3
PSY 265: Child Psychology ^(Restricted Elective)	3	PSYC 341: Meth Issues in Dev Psych ^(Additional 200-Elective)	3
TOTAL	16		16
Year Two, 2 nd Semester			
SWK 170: Race & Diversity in the US	3	SOWK 147: Human Diversity ^(Required)	3
SWK 172: Drug and Alcohol Dependency	3	COUN 240: Introduction to Addiction Studies	3
SOC 161: Sociology of Family ^(Restricted Elective)	3	SOC 221: Families & Society* ^(Family 200-Course/Required)	3
Humanities Elective	3	General Elective	3
SWK 163: Introduction to Social Welfare	3	SOWK 105: Social Welfare Institutions	3
TOTAL	16		16

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Year Three, 1 st Semester		Year Three, 2 nd Semester	
SOWK 300: Social Welfare Policy and Services 1	3	SOWK 310: Social Welfare Policy and Services 2	3
SOWK 320: Social Work Methods 1 (EDG 2)	3	SOWK 322: Social Work Methods 2	3
SOWK 330: Human Behavior in the Social Environment	3	SOWK 360: Social Work Research Methods and Statistics	3
SOC/ANTH/CRIM 200-Level Course	3	Minority Content Class	3
EDG 1: Data and Society	3	EDG 4: Global and Regional Perspectives	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15
Year Four, 1 st Semester		Year Four, 2 nd Semester	
SOWK 324: Methods 3: Organizations and Communities	3	SOWK 491: Professional Field Experience 2	6
SOWK 345 : Interprofessional Social Justice Practice	3	SOWK 481: Capstone	3
ARSC 380 (EDG 5)	3	Social Work Practice Elective (300-400-Level)	3
SOWK 491: Professional Field Experience 1 (EDG 6)	6	General Elective	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15

Students will complete their EDG 3 requirement by completing SWK 155 (SOWK 151).

*SOC 161 (WVU SOC 211) would satisfy a program Social Science program requirement. It would be in the student's best interest to select that option. Otherwise, students will need to complete that required at WVU.

Writing and Communication Skills Requirement: Social Work BSW students fulfill the Writing and Communication Skills requirement by completing ENGL 101 and ENGL 102 (or ENGL 103), and two additional SpeakWrite Certified Courses™: SOWK 320 and SOWK 481.

Students transferring to West Virginia University with an Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, or Associate of Science degree will have satisfied the General Education Foundation requirements at WVU.

Students are required to complete 50 hours of service hours prior to completing the application. This should be done in coordination with the WVU SOWK department. Students who complete SWK 258 courses at WCCC will have satisfied this requirement and will need to complete the appropriate paperwork.

Transfer students, including 2+2 students, who wish to enter the social work major must contact WVU's Office of Admissions and the B.S.W. Program Coordinator no later than the semester before you intend to matriculate to WVU. For entry to the B.S.W. program, students must meet all requirements that apply to major status. Students who plan to matriculate to WVU in the fall semester at the professional social work major level should contact WVU's Office of Admissions the prior December and complete the application to the B.S.W. program for admission at the professional social work major level in January.

Upper-division social work courses taken at other institutions do not automatically transfer to WVU and meet the program's requirements. To gain approval for these courses students must have earned a B or higher in the course(s) and must submit course syllabi and other appropriate course materials to Dr. Megan Gandy the B.S.W. program director. Courses that are not approved count as electives. The lower-division social work courses taught on 2+2 campuses have received approval via the formal agreement with the program.

For the application, students:

Students planning to enter the Social Work program must meet the following guidelines:

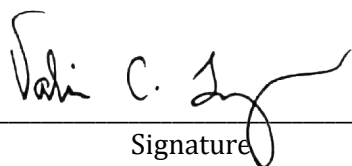
- Must have earned a final grade of C- or higher in SOWK 147 and SOWK 151.
- Must complete 50 hours of volunteer service.
- Must submit a personal statement and a reference from academic or volunteer service individual.
- Must have earned a minimum overall GPA of 2.0 GPA (will consider lower than this on a case-by-case basis). Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA overall after admission to the professional major.

Students completing degrees in WVU's Eberly College of Arts and Sciences are encouraged to work with their advisors to integrate completion of an academic minor or minors into their programs of study, to the degree allowed within elective hours. WVU offers over 100 minors that complement.

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Students who have questions regarding this articulation agreement or the transferability of coursework may contact the WVU Office of the University Registrar. All other questions should be directed at the WVU Office of Admissions.

The above transfer articulation of credit between West Virginia University and Westmoreland County Community College, is approved by the Dean, or the Dean's designee, and effective the date of the signature.

Valérie Lastinger		10/7/25
_____ Print Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date

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