

This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding "critical courses" for this particular Program of Study.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade ¹	Major GPA ²	Code	Prerequisites	Notes
Semester One (15-16 Credit Hours)							
	ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition	3	C		CC-CMW		
	STAT 201 Elementary Statistics ³	3			CC-ARP	MATH 111/115 or STAT 110	
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴	3-4			CC		
	Any approved CC-GSS course from Psychology (PSYC) or Sociology (SOCY)	3			CC-GSS		
	UNIV 101 The Student in the University or Carolina Core Requirement ⁴	3			PR/CC		
Semester Two (15-16 Credit Hours)							
	ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition	3	C		CC-CMW CC-INF		
	MATH 122 Calculus for Bus. Admin. & Soc. Sciences or MATH 141 Calculus I ³ or Any other STAT course approved for Carolina Core ARP	3-4			CC-ARP	MATH 111/1111/115 (<i>MATH 122 only</i>); MATH 112, 115, 116 (<i>MATH 141 only</i>); or Math placement test score	
	POLI 201 American National Government	3			CC-VSR		
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴	3			CC		
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Semester Three (16 Credit Hours)							
	SOWK 201 Intro. to Social Work Profession & Social Welfare	3	C	*	MR		
	Economics course	3			CR		
	Literature course (200-level or above) ⁵	3			CR		
	Carolina Core BIOL course and lab	4			CC-SCI		
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁶	3			CC/PR		
Semester Four (15 Credit Hours)							
	SOWK 222 Social Welfare Institutions, Policies, & Programs	3	C	*	MR		
	Philosophy course	3			CR		
	Cultural Awareness Course ⁷	3			CR		
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁶	3			CC/PR		
	Approved Elective ⁶	3			PR		
Semester Five (14 Credit Hours)							
!	SOWK 311 Foundations of Social Work Practice	3	C	*	MR	Adm. to Upper Division	
	SOWK 331 Diversity & Social Justice in Contemporary Society	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201	
!	SOWK 341 Theories for Understanding Individuals, Families, and Groups	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201	
	Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ or Approved Elective ⁶	3			CC/PR		
	Approved Elective ⁶ (only 2 credits if needed to meet hours to graduate)	2			PR		
Semester Six (15 Credit Hours)							
!	SOWK 312 Generalist Practice II: Social Work with Individuals & Families	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 311	
!	SOWK 322 Social Policy Analysis	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201, 222	
!	SOWK 352 Social Work & Scientific Inquiry	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 201, 222 & one from: STAT 201 or higher, PSYC 227 or SOCY 220	
!	SOWK 382 Intro. to Field Education	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 311	
	SOWK Elective (300-level or above)	3	C	*	MR		
Semester Seven (15 Credit Hours)							
!	SOWK 411 Social Work Practice with Groups	3	C	*	MR	C or better in SOWK 312	
	SOWK 441 Theories for Understanding Organizations & Communities	3	C	*	MR		
	SOWK 481 Practicum I: Field Education	3	C	*	MR	Prereq/Coreq: 322; Coreq: SOWK 483	
	SOWK 483 Practicum Seminar	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 382; Coreq: SOWK 481	
	SOWK Elective (300-level or above)	3	C	*	MR		
Semester Eight (15 Credit Hours)							
	SOWK 412 Social Work Practice with Organizations and Communities	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 411; Prereq or Coreq: SOWK 441	
	SOWK 422 Advocacy for Social & Economic Justice	3	C	*	MR	SOWK 322	
	SOWK 482 Practicum II: Field Education	3	C	*	MR	Prereq or Coreq: SOWK 412, 422, 484	
	SOWK 484 Capstone	3	C	*	MR	Coreq: SOWK 482	
	SOWK Elective (300-level or above)	3	C	*	MR		

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Major Requirements Hours	College & Program Requirements Hours	Carolina Core Hours	Minimum Institutional GPA
120	60	17-29	31-43	2.000

1. Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.5 institutional GPA on all coursework and once admitted to the upper division, students must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA in the major.
2. Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
3. Students who do not place into the required ARP courses must complete the necessary prerequisites before continuing with the required Carolina Core ARP courses.
4. The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
5. One 200-level and above literature course, which may be selected from a list of approved courses, is required. See an advisor for details.
6. No elective courses of a remedial and developmental nature may apply as credit toward the 120 hours minimum.
7. A wide variety of courses can be considered under the general category of "cultural awareness." Students are to consult with their advisors for approved courses.

Program Notes:

- Courses identified as "critical" must be completed by the semester in which they are listed in order to ensure a timely graduation due to prerequisite requirements for subsequent required courses.
- All undergraduate students must take a 3-credit course or its equivalent with a passing grade that covers the founding documents. This course may fulfill any requirement in the program of study. Courses that meet this requirement are listed in the academic bulletin.
- Students in the College of Social Work are required to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language by a score of 2 or higher on the foreign language placement test, or credit equivalent to USC 109 and 110 courses, or credit equivalent to the USC 121 course.
- A student may attempt a social work core course a maximum of two times to fulfill the requirement. A grade of W (withdrawal) will be recognized as an attempt. A student may repeat a maximum of two core courses.
- Progression into upper division social work occurs primarily in the fall semester. Students who complete 39 hours of general education and wish to apply to upper division must submit a completed College of Social Work – BSW Application by the announced due dates published each year.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

Codes:	
CC	Carolina Core
CC-AIU	Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding
CC-ARP	Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving
CC-CMS	Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component
CC-CMW	Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component
CC-GFL	Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language
CC-GHS	Carolina Core – Historical Thinking
CC-GSS	Carolina Core – Social Sciences
CC-INF	Carolina Core – Information Literacy
CC-INT	Carolina Core – Integrative Course
CC-SCI	Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy
CC-VSR	Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility
CR	College Requirement
MR	Major Requirement
PR	Program Requirement

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.