



Youngstown State University Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

The baccalaureate degree with a major in social work (BSW) from Youngstown State University (YSU) prepares students for entry level, generalist, and professional social work practice from a strengths perspective.

With a BSW degree, social workers can be employed in a wide variety of social service settings including but not limited to: public and private social service agencies, mental health centers, health care settings, long term care facilities, educational systems, and correctional institutions.

Graduates of the BSW Program will also be qualified to apply to take the basic exam toward becoming a licensed social worker (LSW) in the State of Ohio.

Program Information & Format

The Social Work Program at Youngstown State University (YSU) is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

All YSU courses taken through the LCCC Partnership toward a BSW degree are held one night per week, on location at LCCC, and operate in a cohort format according to a set schedule with the intention of LCCC & YSU courses being taken simultaneously.

YSU Application Process

Students who wish to transfer to YSU to complete the requirements for a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree must be in good academic standing with at least a 2.0 or higher accumulated grade point average on a 4.0 scale. (Those students with less than a 2.0 may be considered under probationary conditions.)

To apply, prospective students must complete a YSU Undergraduate Admissions Application and pay the \$40 non-refundable fee. YSU applications may be completed online at www.ysu.edu or be obtained from the LCCC University Partnership office (UC 104).

In completing the "Admissions Section" of the Application for Admission to YSU for the upcoming "Fall" semester, applicants should identify themselves as a "Transfer Student", seeking a "Bachelor" degree, through the college of "Health and Human Services", with their intended major

listed as "Social Work LCCC (B)", which designates dual enrollment with LCCC on the Lorain campus.

Applicants must also submit an official high school transcript (or official GED test results), as well as all official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended. Transcripts should be sent directly to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH 44555-0001.

NOTE: Admission to YSU is the first step in the admissions process. Following the successful completion of all pre-social work courses through YSU and LCCC, students will then be directed to apply for potential admission into the Social Work Program (See "Program Admission Requirements")

Tuition and Financial Aid

Tuition and Financial Aid are subject to change. Please refer to the YSU Office of Financial Aid & Scholarship website for current information: <http://cfweb.cc.ysu.edu/finaid/index.cfm/>

NOTE: Any student taking both YSU and LCCC courses in a given semester who are also receiving financial aid must complete an Ad Hoc Consortium Agreement for each semester in which courses are being taken through both institutions.

LCCC Students

Students interested in this program should schedule an appointment with Laurie Grimes, LCCC Counselor, by calling 440-366-4033 or 800-995-5222, ext. 4033 to review their transcripts and discuss required coursework which will be taken through LCCC alongside required YSU courses.

Advisement & Additional Information

Pre-social work students are also required to schedule an appointment with their YSU Academic Advisor during the Spring semester prior to the Fall semester in which they plan on taking YSU pre-social work classes. To schedule an appointment, please contact Karla Wyant- BSW Program Coordinator and Academic Advisor via email at kawyant@ysu.edu or by calling 330-518-7076.

NOTE: New students who do not meet with their Academic Advisor prior to registration will not be permitted to register for classes until doing so.



Program Admission Requirements

Formal admission to the BSW Program is a selective process which considers objective academic requirements and qualitative attributes specific to the student. Neither admission to YSU nor enrollment in social work courses as a pre-social work major guarantees admission to the Program.

To be considered for formal admission to the BSW Program, students are required to go through a formal admissions process which will occur during the Spring semester in which they are enrolled in SCWK 2644- HBSE 2 (Information and application to be provided by the BSW Program Coordinator during the appropriate semester).

This formal application process includes: completion of the Program Admissions Application; signing of the YSU BSW Student Contract; completion of group interview process; an overall GPA of 2.5 or better; one professional letter of reference; and successful completion (C or better) of the following support courses and program prerequisites according to sequencing (verified through a transcript review by your YSU Academic Advisor): ENGL 161 and 162; CMMC 151; BIOG 152; SOCY 151; PSYH 151; SOCY 161; PLSC 156; PHLI 174 and 161; RELG 181; SOWK 151 and 251; and HMSR 111 through LCCC; SCWK 2642 (fall semester) and SCWK 2644 (spring semester) through YSU.

NOTE: Pre-social work majors not formally admitted to the social work program will be unable to register for SCWK 3736 and subsequent courses in the social work program.

Required YSU Social Work Classes

Once formally admitted to the social work program, students will complete the following coursework as scheduled:

Course Number	Course Title	Credits
SCWK 2642	HBSE I	3
SCWK 2644	HBSE II	3
SCWK 3736	Social Work Methods with Individuals	3
SCWK 3737	Social Work Methods with Groups	3
SCWK 3738	Social Work Methods with Families	3
PSY 271 (LCCC)	Quantitative Methods in Behavioral Science	4
SCWK 3760	Research	3
SCWK 5820	Social Policy	3
SCWK 5822	Social Work Methods with Organizations & Communities	3
SCWK 5823	Cultural Diversity	3
SCWK 4825	Field Work	6
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SCWK 4826	Integrated Field Work Seminar	3
SCWK 4827	Integrated Field Work Seminar	3
Total hours		49 semester hours

Graduation

To be eligible for graduation, students must not only successfully complete all required Support Courses and Social Work courses, but must also complete the required General Education Requirements including 1 Social and Personal Awareness elective, 1 Natural Science elective, and the Math requirement or approved substitute, 1 Special Populations Course, and 21 additional hours of electives (List of options provided at advisement appointment). In addition, students will have completed a total of 450 hours of Field Work at an approved site (set up by the Internship Coordinator/BSW Program Coordinator) over the course of 2 semesters.

Note: Prior to being able to apply for graduation, a transcript review must be completed by your YSU Academic Advisor and approval given. Students seeking a baccalaureate degree must complete a total of 124 semester hours, with at least 60 semester hours in courses numbered 2600 (200 level) or higher and at least 48 of these 60 hours in courses numbered 3700 or higher and have taken all required coursework for a BSW degree through YSU.