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PURPOSE: To define policies and procedures for undergraduate students to receive honors credits in the School of Social Work.

SOURCE: School of Social Work Faculty Council, January 1993

APPLICABILITY: All Social Work Undergraduate Students in the Arizona State University Honors College

POLICY: Taking Courses for Honors Credits

A. Undergraduate students in the School of Social Work can participate in the BSW Honors Program if they meet the following criteria:

1. They must be admitted to the Barrett Honors College;
2. They must have a 3.5 GPA in pre-social work course work (SWU 271, 291, 295, 301, & 310) and other social work courses taken prior to admission to the major).

B. **MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK COURSES:**

1. Students who have been admitted to the Barrett Honors College and meet the pre-social work GPA requirement will take the following MSW courses in place of BSW courses:

MSW Course

Comparable BSW Courses

SWG 502 HBSE II

SWU 340 HBSE II

SWG 510 Foundation Practice I

SWU 410 Social Work Practice II

SWG 511 Foundation Practice II

SWU 411 Social Work Practice III

SWG 531 Social Policy and Services I

SWU 432 Social Policy and Services

SWG 580 Community and Organizational
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Total 15 Credit Hours

Students must maintain a 3.25 GPA in their social work graduate courses to maintain their status as an honors student. Students must have an overall ASU GPA of 3.40 to graduate from the Honors College.

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Optional MSW Courses

BSW Honors students who have not already taken SWU 320 and SWU 374 may also elect to take SWG 519 and SWG 533.

C. BARRETT HONOR'S COLLEGE COURSES

BSW Honors students must comply with the Honors College requirements and take one of the following options:

- HON 171 and 172 (6 credit hours)
- HON 371 Freedom and Authority (3 credit hours)
- HON 374 Black and White Atlantic (3 credit hours)
- HON 394 Special Topics (3 credit hours)

Honors Thesis Requirement

BSW Honors students must take SWU 493 Honors Thesis (3-6 credit hours). The thesis can be a social work research or creative project preferably related to the student's field placement or area of interest. Students must have a faculty mentor/chair to assist with the thesis or creative project.

D. ADVANCED STANDING FOR BSW HONORS STUDENTS

Students who complete the Honors BSW Program are eligible to apply for Advanced Standing status in the MSW Program. If accepted, they could complete the MSW degree in one calendar year (starting in June only). To be eligible for the Advanced Standing Program, the student must have graduated from the Honors BSW Program within the last five years. Students from other universities who can demonstrate the equivalent honors or graduate-level course work may also be considered for Advanced Standing status.