

ASU COLLEGE of PUBLIC PROGRAMS



Social Welfare BIS Concentration 2004-2007



The Concentration in Social Welfare prepares students for social welfare work and other professional careers where a fundamental knowledge of human relations is required. The Concentration enhances and broadens the ability of students to analyze complex family, individual, and societal problems in the context of societal values, cultural diversity, and other social and economic variables. The Concentration also contributes to students' understanding of society and social behavior, encourages critical thinking, and helps develop communication skills.

Students should:

- ❑ Meet with a Social Welfare Advisor prior to registration
 - ➔ School of Social Work Advising Office Laura.Orr@asu.edu or (602) 496-0800
- ❑ Complete 18 hours of graded coursework (internship or independent study not applicable)
- ❑ Take a minimum of 12 hours of upper division coursework from the approved list
- ❑ Earn a grade of “C” or higher for all classes in the concentration
- ❑ Minimum of 12 hours of residence credit at the ASU Downtown Phoenix Campus
- ❑ Complete SWU 171 as the prerequisite for all upper division SWU courses
- ❑ Maintain cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher
- ❑ Be sophomore standing to take 300 or 400 level courses

Course Number	Course Title	Lower Division	Upper Division	General Studies Designation
M SWU 171 (3)	Introduction to Social Work			SB, H
M SWU 291 (3)	Social Service Delivery Systems			SB, C
M SWU 374 (3)	Diversity & Oppression in Social Work Context			C
M SWU 332 (3)	Social Policy & Services			
Choose 6 hours from the following courses				
M SWU 301 (3)	Human Behavior Social Environment			SB
M SWU 302 (3)	Human Biology for Social Workers			
M SWU 310 (3)	Social Work Practice I			
M SWU 321 (3)	Statistics for Social Workers			CS
M SWU 340 (3)	Human Behavior Social Environment II			SB
M SWU 498 (3)	Pro-Seminar			
Hours Required		6	12	
Total Hours Required		18		

Course Title and Description

SWU 171 Introduction to Social Work (3) Fall, Spring

Descriptive and analytical historical perspective of social problems, the social welfare system and the profession of social work. Designed for freshmen/sophomores considering this major.

SWU 291 Social Service Delivery Systems (3) Fall, Spring

Knowledge and skills necessary to utilize community resources to be a competent case manager. Includes 40 hours of observational experience in local agencies. Pre- or co-requisite: SWU 171.

SWU 301 Human Behavior in the Social Environment (3) Fall, Spring

Impact of the social environment on the behavior of individuals, family systems, communities, and organizations. Prerequisites: PGS 101 or Soc 101. Pre-requisite: SWU 171.

SWU 302 Human Biology for Social Workers (3) Fall, Spring

Overview of human anatomy and physiology, and the reciprocal relationship between physical and social environments.

SWU 310 Social Work Practice I (3) Fall, Spring

Introduction to social work methods, emphasizing the following skills: role-playing, video training, cross-cultural interviewing, communication patterns, and recording. Prerequisite: SWU 171.

SWU 321 Statistics for Social Workers (3) Fall, Spring

Teaches social work students how to use and interpret descriptive and inferential statistics in social work practice. Prerequisite: MAT 142 or higher

SWU 332 Social Policy and Services (3) Fall, Spring

Contemporary social, political, and economic issues. Special emphasis on poverty and inequality in the Southwest. Analysis and development of social welfare policies and programs. Lecture, cooperative learning, small group activity. Prerequisite: SWU 171.

SWU 340 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (3) Fall, Spring

Theories of human development across the life span. Emphasis is placed on individuals, families and small groups. Prerequisite: SWU 171.

SWU 374 Diversity and Oppression in a Social Work Context (3) Fall, Spring

Explores issue of social inequality related to race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation and disability. Emphasis on populations of the Southwest. Prerequisite: SWU 171.

SWU 498 Pro-Seminar (3) Fall, Spring

Small-group study and research for advanced students within their majors. Major status in the department or instructor approval is required.