

Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

A = Approve I = Information Item R = Respond In Writing

Course Number: _____ **or Degree Plan(s): Bachelor of Science in Social Work**

Rationale: Changes in the Council on Social Work Education Accreditation Competencies and feedback from the community, alumni, and hiring constituents have caused the Program to initiate appropriate changes.

The Program proposes the following changes:

- The transition of no longer offering two courses: SOCW 411 (Statistics) and SOCW 416 (Program Evaluation)
- The creation of two new courses: SOCW 245 (Justice) and SOCW 453 (Practice II).
- The re-opening of one course: SOCW 491 (Integrative Seminar)
- Changes in courses include revised/proposed course names, course numbers, SLOs, WI, and Capstone.
- The number of total social work hours to 48, from the variable 48-49.

Admissions Criteria

Per CSWE, the Program is required to require an admissions process. We propose changes to the following requirements:

- Requiring a GPA from 2.25 to 2.75
- From the requirement of completion of 3 out of 4 introductory courses (SOCW 230, 250, 327, and 329) to completion of three consistent courses (SOCW 230, SOCW 245, and SOCW 250).
- From requiring an interview for each student, the interview is optional based at the discretion of the Program Director or the Student.
- Additionally, students will be required to sign an acknowledgment of our field's Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct, as it is consistent with social work education trends.

See curriculum track changes:

Social Work, BS (SOCW)

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General Education Requirements

Please see the [General Education](#) section of this catalog.
Major Requirements

Social Work

- [BIOL 101 - Biology - Human Perspective](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- *or*
- [BIOL 291 - Anatomy and Physiology I](#) Credit Hours: 3 *
- *and*

- BIOL 293 - Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory Credit Hours: 1
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- SOCW 230 - Introduction to Social Work Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 245 – Foundations of Social and Economic Justice Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 250 - Principles of Practice: Ethics and Engagement ~~Person-to-Person: The Fundamental Skills of Relating-~~ Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 255 - Social Worker Observation Credit Hours: 2
- SOCW 327 - Theoretical Frameworks for Social Work ~~Micro/Mezzo Human Behavior Theory-~~ Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 329 - Diversity, Equity, and Belonging ~~Diversity, Power, and Oppression-~~ Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 351 – Social Work Practice with Micro Systems Credit Hours: 4 (writing-intensive course)
- SOCW 361 - Pre-Practicum Orientation Credit Hours: 2
- SOCW 381 – Field Practicum I Credit Hours: 4
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- IPE 301 - Interprofessional Education and Ethics Credit Hours: 1
- or
- IPE 302 - Topics in Interprofessional Education Credit Hours: 1
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- SOCW 411 – Statistics for Social Workers Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 415 – Social Research Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 416 – Program and Practice Evaluation Credit Hours: 3 (capstone course)
- SOCW 441 - Social Welfare Policy and Services ~~Social Policy~~ Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 442 - Policy Analysis and Practice Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 447 - Practice I: Engagement and Assessment with Individuals & Groups Credit Hours: 3 (writing-intensive course)
- SOCW 449 - Practice II: Intervention & Evaluation Credit Hours: 3
- SOCW 451 - Practice III: Communities and Organizations ~~Social Work Practice with Macro Systems-~~ Credit Hours: 4
- SOCW 415 - Social Research Credit Hours: 4 (writing intensive course)
- SOCW 479 – ~~Field~~ Social Work Practicum I Credit Hours: 4
- SOCW 481 - ~~Field~~ Social Work Practicum II Credit Hours: 4 (capstone course)
- SOCW 491 – Integrative Seminar Credit Hours: 1 (capstone course)
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- *Hours may also fulfill general education requirements and are not included in total major hours

Total: 48-49 Credit Hours
Electives

Minimum - ~~25~~-26 Credit Hours

Total Major Hours: 74

Other Graduation Requirements

Minimum grade for each course in major and supplement: C Minimum GPA in major:

2.2575 Minimum GPA for graduation: 2.50 Minimum advanced hours: 33 Minimum total hours: 128

*Courses numbered 0** do not count in minimum hours required for degree.*

	Campus-Level Academic Review ¹	Dept./School	College	Dean	TBC	AUAC/Grad	Provost
	Change to a Course Include signatures from all chairs/program directors for cross-listed courses. ¹						
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A	I	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A	I	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	A	A	I	I	A
5.	Number of credit hours	A	A	A	A	A	A
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A	A	A
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I	I	I
9.	Course restriction (e.g., majors only, junior standing)	A	A	A	A	A	A
10.	Level change (U to G or G to U)	A	A	A	A	A	A
11.	Cross list course	A	A	A	A	A	A
12.	Department of record	A	A	A	A	A	A
13.	Open or close a course	A	A	A	A	A	A
	Change to a Degree Plan						
14.	Educational Program — Revise	A	A	A	A	A	A
15.	Educational Program — Adopt/revise admission requirements	A	A	A	A	A	A
16.	GPA — Revise program-required GPA	A	A	A	A	A	A
17.	Minor — Revise	A	A	A	A	A	A

	Full Review	Dept./School	College	Dean	TEC	AUAC/Grad	Provost	Campus Faculty	Senior VPAA	President
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)									
18.	General requirements for Bachelor's and Associate Degrees	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
19.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
20.	Requirements for graduating with honors	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan									
21.	Educational Program — Add or Discontinue ^{2 3}	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
22.	Educational Program — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I
23.	Minor — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
24.	Minor — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	-	A	I
25.	Degree — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
26.	Degree — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I

	Change to General Education Requirements for Undergraduates (System)	Dept./School	College	Dean	AUAC	Provost	UGEC	University Faculty	Senior VPAA	President
27.	Change course outcomes of an included course	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
28.	Add or drop a required course from the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	A	A	I
29.	Add or drop a course from a menu within the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	-	A	I
30.	Comprehensive revision of General Education Requirements	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I

Notes

² Any change to a cross-listed course requires the signature of both department chairs or program directors overseeing the course to ensure that the courses stay in sync. This includes courses taught at other campuses (e.g. BIBL 101 and BIBO 101).

³ For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible. Master's programs

must include a minimum of 30 hours, and doctoral programs must include a minimum of 30 hours beyond the master's.

⁴ When a department/school or dean proposes closing a program, approval routing follows the typical process beginning with the department/school. An administrative proposal by the provost or senior vice president for academic affairs would follow the "provost-proposed" routing on the chart.

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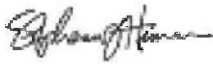
Department/School(s)



02/14/25

Chair Signature

Date



02/14/25

Program Director Signature

Date

College Academic Council(s)



03/07/2025

Chair Signature

Date

Chair Signature

Date

Dean(s)



03/10/2025

Signature

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Teacher Education Council

Signature

Date

**Campus Academic Council:
Abilene Undergraduate or Abilene Graduate**

Signature

Date

Provost

Signature

Date

University General Education Council

Signature

Date

University Faculty

Abilene Faculty Senate Chair signature

Date

Dallas Faculty Council Chair signature

Date

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Signature

Date

President

Signature

Date
