P Social Work

The objective of the Social Work programme is to provide basic professional education to equip students for entry into the social work profession at the direct service level. Continued emphasis is therefore placed on the development of knowledge and skills to work with individuals, families, small groups and the community as well as within the agency context. The focus is also on the application of theoretical and professional knowledge in different practice settings. In addition, the programme prepares students for indirect social work intervention in the areas of social policy, planning and evaluative research.

Entry Requirements

Students who wish to read Social Work as a subject major must have the aptitude and a strong interest in working with people. They should have obtained good results at the GCE ‘A’ Level examination.

Subject Requirements

Single Major [BSocSci (Hons)]

1. Pass SW1101E. This will be counted towards the Faculty Core or UE requirements.

2. Pass at least 84 MCs of SW modules or SW-recognised modules, which include the following:

   (1) SW2101 Working with Individuals and Families

   (2) SW2104 Human Development over the Lifespan

   (3) SW2105 Values & Skills for Helping Relationships

   (4) SW2106 Social Group Work Practice

   (5) SW3101 Social Work Research Methods or PL2131 Research and Statistical Method I, or SC2101 Methods of Social Research

   (6) SW3103A Social Work Field Practice (I)

   (7) SW3104 Social Work Field Practice (II)

   (8) SW3105 Community Work Practice
(9) SW4101 Advanced Family-Centred SWK Practice

(10) SW4102 Social Policy & Planning

(11) SW4103 Advanced Research and Evaluation

(12) a minimum of 64MCs at level-3000 or higher (including modules listed above), with

(i) a minimum of 40 MCs at level-4000 or higher

(ii) a maximum of two level-5000 SW modules (subject to the department’s approval)

Note 1:
To declare Honours track, students must have completed 110 MCs, including 44 MCs in the Major, with a CAP of 3.20 and above.

Note 2:
The Honours Thesis (15 MCs) is optional. To qualify for the Honours Thesis/Project, students must complete 110 MCs including 44 MCs of SW major requirements with a minimum CAP of 3.50. In order to obtain BSocSci Honours (Highest Distinction), students must achieve a CAP of 4.50 or higher AND read and pass Honours Thesis.

Note 3:
Students who do not attempt the Honours Thesis will read level-4000 modules to fulfil the Honours Requirements.

Note 4:
Students may also read a level-4000 Independent Studies Module (5 MCs). This level-4000 ISM carries a prerequisite of 100 MCs completed, including 44 MCs in the Major, with a minimum CAP of 3.20. It precludes the Honours Thesis.

Note 5:
All level-4000 modules carry a general prerequisite of having completed 80 MCs, including 28 MCs in the Major, with a minimum CAP of 3.20 OR being on the Honours Track (some level-4000 modules may have different prerequisites).

Note 6:
Students are encouraged to read an additional 8 MCs in the major within the 36 MCs of UE space.

Single Major (BA)
1. Pass SW1101E. This will be counted towards the Faulty Core or UE requirements.

2. Pass at least 44 MCs of SW modules or SW-recognised modules, which include the following:

   (1) SW2101 Working with Individuals and Families

   (2) SW2104 Human Development over the Lifespan

   (3) SW2105 Values & Skills for Helping Relationships

   (4) SW2106 Social Group Work Practice

   (5) SW3101 Social Work Research Methods or PL2131 Research and Statistical Method I, or SC2101 Methods of Social Research

   (6) SW3103A Social Work Field Practice (I)

   (7) SW3104 Social Work Field Practice (II)

   (8) SW3105 Community Work Practice

   (9) a minimum of 24 MCs at level-3000 or higher (See Note 1) (including modules listed above).

**Note 1:**
Students are allowed to read level-4000 modules subject to departmental approval.

**Note 2:**
Students are encouraged to read an additional 8 MCs in the major within the 36 MCs of UE space.

**Second Major**

1. Pass SW1101E. This will be counted towards the Faculty Core or UE requirements.

2. Pass at least 44 MCs of SW modules or SW-recognised modules, which include the following:

   (1) SW2101 Working with Individuals and Families

   (2) SW2104 Human Development over the Lifespan

   (3) SW2105 Values & Skills for Helping Relationships
(4) SW2106 Social Group Work Practice

(5) SW3101 Social Work Research Methods or PL2131 Research and Statistical Method I, or SC2101 Methods of Social Research

(6) SW3103A Social Work Field Practice (I)

(7) SW3104 Social Work Field Practice (II)

(8) SW3105 Community Work Practice

(9) a minimum of 24 MCs at level-3000 or higher \(^{(See\ Note\ 1)}\) (including modules listed above).

Note 1:
Students are allowed to read level-4000 modules subject to departmental approval.

Note 2:
Students are encouraged to read an additional 8 MCs in the major within the 36 MCs of UE space.

Minor in Human Services

Pass at least 24 MCs of SW modules which include the following:

(1) SW1101E Social Work: A Heart-Head-Hand Connection

(2) SW2104 Human Development over the Lifespan

(3) a minimum of 16 MCs at Level-3000, excluding the following:

   (i) SW3103 Social Work Field Practice, OR SW3103A Social Work Field Practice (I)
   (ii) SW3104 Social Work Field Practice (II), OR SW3218 Advanced Practice in Social Work
   (iii) SW3105 Community Work Practice
   (iv) SW3209 Counselling Theories & Practice
   (v) SW3214 Counselling Process & Skills

Note 1:
A maximum of 8 MCs from the minor can be used to satisfy the requirements of a major or another minor.

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