

# SOCIAL WORK, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS (SWO)

Effective: Fall 2016

The Social Work Associate in Arts curriculum was developed to meet the needs of current and prospective students interested in transferring to a college or university and eventually earning a Bachelor in Social Work degree. The curriculum provides students with the introductory-level knowledge in the field of social work study and supports a seamless transfer to the junior level status at a four-year college or university offering a Council of Social Work Education-Accredited Bachelor in Social Work degree (BSW).

Social Workers serve some of the most vulnerable populations; therefore this degree addresses the significant history, policies, theories and applied practices utilized when working with marginalized individuals, families, groups and communities. Social Workers use a person and environment construct that views human challenges through a diverse, multi-systemic lens. An overarching goal of the program is to prepare students to demonstrate the basic knowledge, values and skills that are required of a beginning social work practitioner.

Various transfer institutions require differing elective courses; therefore students are highly encouraged to work closely with a transfer counselor, from the DCCC Career and Counseling Center, to ensure a seamless transfer process to a four-year institution.

## Program Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate self-awareness of who one is and why one is choosing to pursue the profession of social work.
- Understand and apply the knowledge, values and skills of the Social Work Profession at the introductory level.
- Identify the historical development of the knowledge and values of the Social Work profession at the introductory level.
- Analyze the impact of key societal systems that have supported the systemic devaluation of and discrimination toward certain groups in our society.
- Describe the relationship between the knowledge and values of a culturally competent social worker at the introductory level.
- Demonstrate the introductory level skills necessary to work from a strengths perspective with diverse individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.
- Identify and explain the concepts, assumptions and critiques of developmental theories, especially related to experiences at the intersection of people and their environments, within a multicultural context.

## Curriculum

The College Transfer Office (<https://www.dccc.edu/admissions-financial-aid/transfer/transfer-office/>) is set up to help Delaware County Community College students transfer to four-year colleges and universities. If you are planning to transfer, you are strongly encouraged to meet with a transfer advisor within your first two semesters (or before you reach 30 transferable college credits from all institutions attended).

First Semester		Hours
CS 100	Introduction to Information Technology	3
ENG 100	English Composition I	3
PSY 140	General Psychology	3
MAT 121 or MAT 151	Introduction to Probability and Statistics or College Algebra	3-4
SWO/HUS 101	Introduction to Social Work and Human Services	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15-16</b>
Second Semester		Hours
SWO 210	Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3
ENG 112	English Composition II: Writing About Literature	3
COMM 111	Public Speaking	3
SOC 110	Introduction to Sociology	3
HIS 110	American History I (recommended; or higher HIS)	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
Third Semester		Hours
SWO 220	Social Welfare Policy	3
BIO 100	Biological Sciences	4
PHI 110	Contemporary Moral Problems	3
PSY 225/SOC 215	Experiences in Diversity	3
POL 120	American National Government (recommended; or higher POL)	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
Fourth Semester		Hours
MAT 210	Statistics	3
PSY/SWO 203	Counseling Skills	3
Science Elective/Laboratory Science		4
Humanities Elective (Literature or Foreign Language)		3
Social Science Elective		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>62-63</b>

## Notes

### Humanities Elective - Transfer Program

This list does not indicate College Academic Learning Goal designation (<https://catalog.dccc.edu/academic-programs/college-academic-learning-goals/>). Refer to your program curriculum for more information.

For college transfer curricula<sup>1</sup>:

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Courses listed under subjects:</b>		
ART 100	Art and Child Development (or above)	3
COMM 100	Interpersonal Communication (or above)	3
ENG 112	English Composition II: Writing About Literature (or above)	3
HUM 100	Introduction to Visual Arts (or above)	3
MUS 101	Fundamentals of Music (or above)	3
PHI 100	Introduction to Philosophy (or above)	3
<i>Foreign Languages:</i>		
FRE 101	Elementary French I (or above)	3
GER 101	Elementary German I (or above)	3
ITA 101	Elementary Italian I (or above)	3
SPA 101	Elementary Spanish I (or above)	3

<sup>1</sup> The elective courses listed for transfer curricula are generally transferable to most institutions. However, depending on the program at the transfer institution, the courses may only be accepted as free

electives. Be sure to meet with a transfer advisor when planning to transfer.

## Social Science Electives - Transfer Program

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For college transfer curricula<sup>1</sup>:

Code	Title	Hours
ADJ 240	Criminology	3
ADJ 260	Corrections-Probation-Parole	3
ECO 210	Macroeconomic Principles	3
ECO 220	Microeconomic Principles	3
EDU 110	Introduction to Teaching (or above)	3
HIS 110	American History I (or above)	3
INT 100	Student Success	3
POL 110	Introduction to Political Science (or above)	3
PSY 130	Personal and Career Development (or above)	3
SOC 110	Introduction to Sociology (or above)	3
SWO 101	Introduction to Social Work and Human Services (or above)	3

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See Advisor/Counselor.

## Campus Locations

### HYBRID DEGREE (online\* and classroom)

85% online

The following courses may not be available online:

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Classroom Only</b>		
COMM 111	Public Speaking	3
BIO 100	Biological Sciences	4
PSY/SWO 203	Counseling Skills	3
	Science Elective/Laboratory Science	4

\* Some online courses have **field requirements** or **in person/proctored testing**. Online courses with these requirements have additional information posted under the **COURSE DESCRIPTION** section when you are registering. Please make a note of it during registration.