Pathways: Social Work

Bachelor of Arts in Social Work

COURSE SELECTION

Freshman
- SOCY 1000: Sociology-Global Perspective
- SOWO 2000: Introduction to Social Work

Sophomore
- SOWO 2650: History
- SOWO 3910: Field Practicum

Junior
- SOWO 3800: Human Behavior in the Social Environment
- SOWO 4060: Methods of Social Work I
  (1) Sociology concentration course
  (1) Professional SOWO elective
- SOWO Methods II and III
- SOWO 3850: Human Behavior II
- SOWO 4090: Social Welfare Policy
- SOCY 3700: Research Methods

Senior
- SOCY 1000: Sociology-Global Perspective
- SOWO 2000: Introduction to Social Work
- SOWO Methods II and III
- SOWO 3850: Human Behavior II
- SOWO 4090: Social Welfare Policy
- SOCY 3700: Research Methods

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE

- Be sure that you start your time at Auburn well by regularly meeting with your academic advisor.
- Along with your individual planning and their guidance, you can ensure you are off to a strong start.

GAIN EXPERIENCE

- Volunteer in community agencies.
- Use the social work resources page (cla.auburn.edu/sociology/social-work/resources) to identify potential sites for volunteer or internship opportunities.
- Contact the Field Coordinator to get ideas for where to complete your field practicum.
- Use LinkedIn (linkedin.com/alumni) to identify past graduates in your major.
- Contact them to set up informational interviews and shadowing opportunities to gain further understanding of your major in the world of work.
- Participating in research is a great way to familiarize yourself with the field and identify research opportunities.
- Complete Senior Field Placement (SOWO 4920/4950).
- Engage in service learning projects in your classes.

GET INVOLVED

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Career Planning

Auburn University Career Center
303 Mary Martin Hall | auburn.edu/career

Entry into the applicant pool for many positions in the field of social work, requires some form of advanced education. A masters degree in social work may be needed, and in some instances licensure is a requirement.

Children & Families Social Worker
Minimum Education: B.S.W.
Entry Level Salary Range: $27.4K-$42.1K
These are just three options out of many that Social Work majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out “What Can I Do With a Major In...” on auburn.edu/career.

Mental Health Social Worker
Minimum Education: M.S.W.
Entry Level Salary Range: $31.8K-$50.8K

Healthcare Social Worker
Minimum Education: B.S.W.
Entry Level Salary Range: $37.1K-$61.2K

The National Association of Social Workers is one of the major professional organizations in social work and consider becoming a student member to stay current in field developments and networking opportunities.

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