

2009-2010 CURRICULUM CHECK SHEET is a guide to the requirements of this major. **It is NOT necessary to take these courses in the order given.** Please consult the online Bulletin for specific details (<http://www.lasierra.edu/academics/bulletin>).

		FALL	WINTER	SPRING
FIRST YEAR	Introduction to Social Services (SOWK 104)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Social Work Colloquium (SOWK 204)(3 units)	_____	_____	_____
	** General Psychology (PSYC 104)(4 units) <i>Meets Theme IA</i>	_____	_____	_____
	** Human Biology (BIOL 107) OR Equivalent (4 units) <i>Meets Theme IVA</i>	_____	_____	_____
	** Introduction to Statistics (MATH 155)(4 units) <i>Meets Math Foundational Studies</i>	_____	_____	_____
	First Year Seminar (UNST 101/100)(2-6 units)	_____	_____	_____
	College Writing (ENGL 111,112,113)(9 units) OR (ENGL 124)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	World Language Foundational Requirement (<i>Proficiency through 153</i>)	_____	_____	_____
	Lifetime Fitness (PEAC 120)(2 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IC: Globalization, Identity, & Citizenship. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> SSCI 104, 105, 106, 107 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
SECOND YEAR	* Heritage of American Social Work (SOWK 205)(4 units) <i>Meets Theme IIB</i>	_____	_____	_____
	* Introduction to Social Practice I, II (SOWK 214, 215)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Social Work Electives: Select 4 units from SOWK 286 or SOWK 386 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	** Sociology Course (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IIA: History & Appreciation of Arts (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IIC: Exploring American Culture. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> HUMN 204, 205 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
Electives	_____	_____	_____	
THIRD YEAR	* Understanding Social Work Research Methods (SOWK 252/252L)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Human Behavior and the Social Environment I (SOWK 311)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Human Behavior and the Social Environment II (SOWK 312)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Social Work Methods (SOWK 314, 315, 316, 317)(SOWK 317 meets Upper Division Rhetorical Course Requirement) (16 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Generalist Social Work Research Methods (SOWK 349/349L)(5 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Field Practicum Orientation (SOWK 388)(1 unit)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> RLGN 304, 305 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
Theme IVB: Physical Science (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
FOURTH YEAR	* Social Welfare Policy (SOWK 405)(4 units) <i>Meets Theme IB</i>	_____	_____	_____
	* Field Seminar (SOWK 488)(6 units)	_____	_____	_____
	* Field Practicum (SOWK 498)(12 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice (4 units) <i>Must be in Scripture, Theme IIIC, unless previously taken</i>	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IVC: Scientific Foundations. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> NSCI 404, 405, 406, 407 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme V: Religious, Moral & Social Aspects of Social Work (UNST 404P)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Electives to complete 190 quarter units	_____	_____	_____
* Major Requirements (75 units)				
** Cognate Requirements				

NOTE: See Bulletin for additional department recommended electives

SOCIAL WORK

B.S.W. Degree

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS: Social workers help people deal with a wide range of problems. They help individuals and families cope with mental illness and problems such as inadequate housing, unemployment, substance abuse, or antisocial behavior. Social service workers have a wide scope of specialties, including medical, welfare, industrial, crisis intervention, psychiatric, administrative, corrections, child welfare (adoption), research teaching, family counseling, and alcohol and drug abuse.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: Graduate training is required for some of the above professions. There are present trends to open more positions to college graduates in many areas. A Master's degree (M.S.W.) is generally required for specialized treatment in the mental health field and is almost always necessary for supervisory, administrative, or research positions.

JOB OUTLOOK: Employment for social workers is expected to increase faster than the average for all occupations through 2014. The rapidly growing elderly population and the aging baby boom generation will create greater demand for health and social services, resulting in particularly rapid job growth among gerontology social workers. Many job openings will also stem from the need to replace social workers who leave the occupation.

SALARY: According to the 2009 issue of the Occupational Outlook Handbook, median annual earnings of child, family, and school social workers were **\$45,610**. The middle 50 percent earned between **\$33,160** and **\$61,530**. The top 10 percent earned more than **\$77,770**.

SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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