# Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

**Min. Total Credits:** 120 (105 in core & major + 15 in electives)

## UHM General Education Core Requirements

**Foundations**
- FW
- FS
- FG (A / B / C)
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**Diversification**
- DA / DH / DL
- DB
- DY
- DS
- DS

*See degree, college and major requirements for courses that can also fulfill these.*

## UHM Graduation Requirements

### Focus
- H
- E (300+)
- O (300+)

- W
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- W (300+)

### Hawaiian / Second Language – complete one option
- Four semesters of one language (202 equivalent)
- Two-semester sequence (usually 101 and 102) in a single language and two approved culture courses

### Credit Minimums
- 120 total applicable
- 30 in residence at UHM
- 45 upper division (300+ level credits)

### Grade Point Average
- 2.0 cumulative or higher

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**College Requirements**

### Admission Requirements
- Admission is in the fall or spring semesters.
- Submit an application no later than the following:
  - Feb 1 for fall semester
  - October 1 for spring semester (early admission)
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Completion of (or scheduled to complete) UHM General Education Core Requirements.
- Completion of (or scheduled to complete) Social Work Knowledge Base Courses with a grade of C or better
- Evidence of motivation for and commitment to social work (e.g. volunteer, social work-related experience)
- Application materials include:
  - School of Social Work application, including narrative based on personal experience
  - Transcripts of all college-level academic course work completed
  - Three letters of reference
  - Refer to [www.hawaii.edu/sswork/bsw-forms.html](http://www.hawaii.edu/sswork/bsw-forms.html) for complete application requirements, forms, and instructions

### Social Work Knowledge Base Courses
- PHIL 110* or 111*
- POLS xxx** (introductory)
- PSY xxx** (any)
- Biology course emphasizing Human Biology/Development (choose one course):
  - Can also fulfill DB: BIOL 100, 101; BIOL/WS 350; FSHN 185; MICR 130; PHYL 103, 141, 142, 301, or 302
  - Does not fulfill DB: FAMR 230
- SW 200

### Grade Point Average
- 2.5 cumulative or higher

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This program sheet was prepared to provide information and does not constitute a contract. See back for major requirements. 
*Meet regularly with your major advisor.*
Major Requirements for BSW

Admission: Open

Application: Deadline: October 1 for spring (early) admission, February 1 for fall admission. See [www.hawaii.edu/sswork/bsw-forms.html](http://www.hawaii.edu/sswork/bsw-forms.html) for BSW program application forms and instructions.

Min. major credits: 62 (74 with related prerequisites; includes 56-59 upper division credits)

Min. C grade (not C-) in all courses

Pre-Social Work Course (3 credits)
- SW 200

Social Work Core Courses (38 credits)

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BSW Program Upper-Division Elective Courses (21 credits; see department for course lists)

- Course in small group, community, or organizational theory
- Course with emphasis on ethnic or cultural factors
- Course with emphasis on American values
- Course with emphasis on women’s issues
- Course in analysis of a social institution, problem, or issue
- Course with emphasis on research design and/or methodology
- Course related to social problems, issues, or practice skills

Notes
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