# Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

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

## UHM General Education Core Requirements

### Foundations
- FW ENG 100, 100A, 190, or ESL 100
- FS PHIL 110, 111
- FG (A / B / C)
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### Diversification
- DA / DH / DL
- DB BIOL 100, 101, 171, 350; FSHN 185, MICR 130; PHYL 103, 141, 142, 152, 160, 301, or 302
- DP
- DY
- DS POLS xxx
- DS PSY xxx

* 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+)
- 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  
  *Note: Other GPAs may be required by college or school*
- Good academic standing

### College Requirements

#### Admission Requirements
- Admission is in the fall or spring semesters.
- Submit an application no later than the following:
  - February 1 for fall semester
  - October 1 for spring semester (early admission)
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- 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* (any)
- POLS xxx* (any)
- 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

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| **Senior Year**                        |
| ☑ SW 402                              |
| ☑ SW 440                              |
| ☑ SW 490                              |
| **Fall Semester**                      |
| ☑ SW 402                              |
| ☑ SW 440                              |
| ☑ SW 490                              |
| **Spring Semester**                    |
| ☑ SW 403 (WI)                         |
| ☑ SW 491 (concurrently with 403)      |

**BSW Program Social Justice and Diversities Upper-Division Elective Courses (21 credits; see [www.hawaii.edu/sswork/bsw-prog.html](http://www.hawaii.edu/sswork/bsw-prog.html) for course lists)**

One Course in each of the following four course areas:

- ☑ The U.S. Experience
- ☑ Social Dynamics and Group Interaction
- ☑ Politics, Government, and Economics
- ☑ Research

Three (3) courses in the Diversities focus area

- ☑ __________
- ☑ __________
- ☑ __________

**Notes**

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