

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK ROADMAP

120 Total Units Required  
 Minimum Number of Units in the Major: 42

This roadmap is a suggested plan of study and does not replace meeting with an advisor. Please note that students may need to adjust the actual sequence of courses based on course availability. Please consult your Degree Planner (<https://registrar.sfsu.edu/degreeplanner>) and an advisor for further guidance.

To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet the SF State Studies (AERM, GP, ESCA, SJ) requirements within your GE or major.

Course	Title	Units
<b>First Semester</b>		
GE Area 1A: English Composition <sup>1</sup>		3
GE Area 1: English Communication		3
GE Area 2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning <sup>2</sup>		3
GE Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences <sup>3</sup>		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective <sup>4</sup>		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
GE Area 1: English Communication		3
GE Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences <sup>3</sup>		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective - Take Three <sup>4</sup>		9
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
GE Area 3: Arts and Humanities		3
GE Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences <sup>5</sup>		3-4
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective - Take Three <sup>4</sup>		9
<b>Units</b>		<b>15-16</b>
<b>Fourth Semester</b>		
GE Area 3: Arts and Humanities		3
GE Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences <sup>5</sup>		3-4
GE Area 6: Ethnic Studies ( <a href="https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/areasix/">https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/areasix/</a> )		3
US and California Government ( <a href="https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/american-institutions/#usg">https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/american-institutions/#usg</a> )		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective <sup>4</sup>		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>15-16</b>
<b>Fifth Semester</b>		
S W 300	U.S. Social Welfare: Past, Present, and Future (Major Core)	3
S W 302	Introduction to Social Service Organizations (Major Core)	3

S W 352	Gender, Sexism, and Social Welfare (Major Core)	3
S W 410	Human Development and the Social Services (Major Core)	3
GE Area 5UD or 2UD: Upper-Division Sciences or Upper-Division Mathematical Concepts		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Sixth Semester</b>		
S W 301GW	U.S. Social Welfare II: Problems, Policies, and Programs - GWAR (Major Core)	3
S W 400	Social Work Practice I (Major Core)	3
S W 402	Interviewing Skills in Social Work (Major Core)	3
S W 470	Social Differences and Social Work Practice (Major Core)	3
GE Area 3UD: Upper-Division Arts or Humanities		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Seventh Semester</b>		
S W 350	Services to Children, Youth, and Their Families (Major Core, SJ)	3
S W 401	Social Work Practice II (Major Core)	3
S W 502	Seminar on Internship Experience I (Major Core)	1
S W 503	Internship Experience in the Social Services I (Major Core)	2
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective - Take Two <sup>4</sup>		6
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Eighth Semester</b>		
S W 450	Introduction to Research in Social Work (Major Core)	3
S W/USP 456	Urban Community Organizing and Citizen Action (Major Core)	3
S W 504	Seminar on Internship Experience II (Major Core)	1

S W 505	Internship Experience in the Social Services II (Major Core)	2
GE Area 4UD: Upper-Division Social and Behavioral Sciences		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective <sup>4</sup>		3
	<b>Units</b>	<b>15</b>
	<b>Total Units</b>	<b>120-122</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students should use their Pathway/Category (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/pathways>) to determine the appropriate GE 1A course option. For directions on how to view your Pathway/Category, visit [how to find your pathway \(https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/howtofindyourpathways\)](https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/howtofindyourpathways). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start. (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/>)

<sup>2</sup> Students should use their Pathway/Category (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/pathways>) to determine the appropriate GE 2 course option. For directions on how to view your Pathway/Category, visit [how to find your pathway \(https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/howtofindyourpathways\)](https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/howtofindyourpathways). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start. (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/>)

<sup>3</sup> First-time freshmen must take one lower-division Area 4 course that meets US History (USH).

<sup>4</sup> **Complementary Studies**

Students completing a Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (B.A.S.W.) degree must complete 12 units in Complementary Studies in courses bearing a prefix other than S W and not cross-listed with S W. BASW majors will be offered several pathways toward completing this requirement, each of which is designed to facilitate graduation in a timely manner. These 12 units may be satisfied in the following ways:

1. 3 units of biology or sexuality studies, 3 units of psychology, 3 units of economics, and 3 units of sociology.
2. 12 units of courses taken towards a certificate, a minor, or a second major in a related discipline.

Students who have earned AA-T or AS-T degrees and are pursuing a BASW degree at SF State are required to fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement as defined by the School of Social Work. Students should consult with their social work advisor about how transfer units and/or SF State units can best be applied to this requirement to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

With the approval of an advisor in the major, courses which fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement may be lower or upper-division units, resident or transfer units.

<sup>5</sup> Consider taking a class combined with a laboratory or a separate lab to fulfill 5C if not already satisfied.