

# College of Human Services

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## Purpose

The College of Human Services offers a wide range of undergraduate course work and some graduate instruction in the departments of Administration of Justice, Communication Studies, Recreation and Tourism Management, and Social Work. One goal of these programs is to prepare students for careers in the helping professions. Another goal is to provide a variety of service courses for the entire university, enabling students of all majors to explore the life quality challenges of contemporary society. The programs provide opportunities for involvement with public and private human service organizations throughout the West Valley, the state, and the nation. The faculty of the College of Human Services is committed to excellence as it strives to empower students with abilities to respond to the needs of increasingly complex social systems. As such, the college seeks to be an inclusive unit where students from various cultures and backgrounds can meet and learn about our diverse community, country, and world.

The College of Human Services offers eight degree programs:

- B.S. Administration of Justice
- B.A., B.S. Communication Studies
- B.S. Recreation and Tourism Management
- B.S.W. Social Work
- M.A. Communication Studies
- M.A. Criminal Justice
- M.S.W. Social Work

In addition, ASU West students can secure a degree in Nursing (B.S.N.) by taking courses “hosted” by Human Services but administered by ASU Main. The College of Human Services offers a multidisciplinary Certificate in Gerontology and a Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Communication and Human Relations. Students can also acquire minors in Communication Studies, Public Relations and Strategic Communications, Gerontology, Prelaw, Special Events Management, and Tourism Management. Students should consult the College of Human Services web

pages for additional information at [www.west.asu.edu/chs/](http://www.west.asu.edu/chs/).

## Baccalaureate degree programs

**Admission.** Admission to programs in Administration of Justice, Communication Studies, Recreation and Tourism Management, or Social Work requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00, and whatever additional requirements the respective programs impose.

**Transfer students.** Any person applying for admission or transfer to the Communication Studies or Administration of Justice programs is admitted as a major of that program. A student applying for admission to the Social Work or Recreation and Tourism Management programs must meet the requirements identified in the respective academic program sections that follow.

**Degree requirements.** Students seeking a baccalaureate in a Human Services major must successfully complete 120 semester hours of college course work, fulfill all university degree requirements, and complete the specific requirements of the degree program. Specific degree requirements are explained under the respective academic program sections that follow.

## Master’s degree programs

Information regarding university requirements, including admission policies and procedures are explained within the “Graduate Studies” section of this catalog. Specific degree requirements are explained under the respective academic program sections that follow.

## Special grading options

The College of Human Services grades some courses, internships, field experiences, and individualized instruction on a satisfactory/fail basis. Students who successfully complete these experiences receive a “Y” grade. Such grades are acceptable for meeting program requirements, but these grades are not computed in the GPA.

The Administration of Justice Department offers the Bachelor of Science Degree in Administration of Justice and the Master of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice to accommo-

date the needs of one of the most rapidly growing academic and professional fields in the United States.

## *Bachelor of Science Degree in Administration of Justice*

### **Nature of program**

The program provides a social science, interdisciplinary perspective to the study of the administration of justice. The focus is on the policies and practices of criminal justice system components including law enforcement, corrections, and the courts. Students are exposed to the criminal law and its origins, patterns and theories of crime and crime analysis, and the body of research based literature that examines and evaluates contemporary criminal justice practice.

The Administration of Justice curriculum offers students a solid foundation of courses that provide the content, analytical, and communication skills required for working in complex criminal justice occupations. The program also prepares students to enter into graduate studies and exposes students considering law school to substantive and procedural criminal law.

During their senior year, students are encouraged to complete an internship in a justice-related placement. AJS 484 Internship in Administration of Justice has been designed to provide the student with a well-rounded learning experience in an experiential setting. It involves a three-way partnership among students, ASU West, and cooperating institutions. It is guided by a set

of goals and objectives that are based on the needs and resources of those involved. The intern's goals and objectives are developed with the assistance of the internship coordinator and the cooperating agency supervisor. They represent skills and competencies that can be reasonably accomplished during the internship period.

### **Career outlook**

The Administration of Justice Department provides an interdisciplinary approach to understanding issues related to the field of criminal justice. Societal concern about issues of crime, crime prevention, and victimization necessitate that state and federal monies be devoted to the field of criminal justice. Consequently, this field is one of the fastest growing areas of employment.

Graduates of the Administration of Justice program find employment in both the public and private sector. Employment opportunities exist in the areas of law enforcement, probation, parole, corrections, private security, court personnel, legal offices, and victim witness advocate agencies. Graduates may also pursue advanced degrees in law and in social science disciplines.

## Major requirements

The 51 semester hour Bachelor of Science degree program in Administration of Justice consists of 24 hours of major core courses, 21 hours of major elective courses, and 6 hours in a related field. A student must attain a grade of “C” or higher in all courses credited toward the major, including courses in the related area. A minimum of 24 upper division semester hours of coursework toward the major must be completed at ASU West.

			Semester Hours
<b>Administration of Justice core courses</b>			
AJS	100	The Justice System (SB)	3
AJS	230	The Police Function	3
AJS	240	The Correctional Function	3
AJS	302	Research Methods	3
AJS	303	Statistical Analysis (CS)	3
AJS	304	Criminology	3
AJS	305	Women, Crime, and Justice (C)	3
AJS	306	Race, Ethnicity, and Justice (C)	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>—</b> 24

**Electives.** The 21 hours of elective courses in the major and the 6 hours of courses in related fields must be strategically assembled with appropriate advising to make up a specialty area consistent with the student’s intellectual and career interests and objectives.

**Community college courses.** Many Administration of Justice courses are currently taught at Arizona community colleges. The transferability of these courses is governed by the Course Equivalency in effect when the

course was taken. This information is maintained in the Course Applicability System (CAS) - CEG function at [az.transfer.org/cas](http://az.transfer.org/cas). Community college courses which are equivalent to ASU West upper division courses will apply to the program, if completed with a grade of “C” or better, and should *not* be repeated at ASU West; however, these courses will not count toward the required upper division credit hours.

The following ASU West courses may have ASU Main or Community College transfer equivalents and should not be repeated at ASU West.

<i>ASU West</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>ASU Main Equivalent</i>
AJS 100	The Justice System	JUS 100
AJS 200	Topics in Concepts and Issues of Justice	JUS 200
AJS 230	The Police Function	JUS 306
AJS 240	The Correctional Function	JUS 310
AJS 442	Community Relations	JUS 320
AJS 360	Substantive Criminal Law	JUS 365
AJS 410	Procedural Criminal Law	JUS 368

**Other requirements.** Students must complete all university degree requirements (including General Studies program requirements). For descriptive information on these requirements, refer to the “General Studies Program” section of this catalog and the *Administration of Justice Undergraduate Advisement Guide* available in the College of Human Services.

## Nature of program

The Master of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice is designed to provide criminal justice agency professionals with advanced training in management and operations analysis and research and evaluation. The degree consists of 30 hours of coursework that will enable students to develop the high level skills in agency data analysis, policy analysis, program planning, and program evaluation allowing them to apply scientific criminology to crime prevention and criminal justice practice. Students will also be required to complete a major policy analysis, agency data analysis, or agency planning project.

An accelerated degree track is available to students who wish to complete the degree in one calendar year. Students not on the accelerated track will be able to complete the degree within 24 months, but no course on the program of study may be more than six years old at the time of degree completion.

## Admission

Admission to the master's program is open to:

1. holders of baccalaureate degrees from institutions with regional accreditation;
2. those who show promise of success as demonstrated by scores on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE), previous schooling, and experience; and
3. those who have career goals that are compatible with the educational objectives of the program.

**Application.** An official transcript from every university or college attended must be received by the Office of Graduate Studies at ASU West before an application can be considered. Official GRE scores must be sent by ETS to ASU. Letters of recommendation, a resume, and a personal statement must be sent to the M.A. in Criminal Justice Program Office.

The suggested application deadlines are June 1 for fall semester and November 1 for the spring semester.

The application, application fee, and transcripts should be sent to:

Graduate Studies  
Arizona State University West  
P.O. Box 37100  
Phoenix, AZ 85069-7100

All other information for admission processing should be sent to:

M.A. in Criminal Justice Program  
College of Human Services  
P.O. Box 37100  
Phoenix, AZ 85069-7100

## Program requirements

The 30-semester hour master's program includes 15 semester hours of required core courses, a six semester-hour applied project, and nine semester hours of electives.

Students will be able to develop specializations in areas such as policing, corrections, and management by combining required and elective coursework. The planning of specializations will be done jointly by the student and his or her faculty program committee.

	Semester Hours
<b>Core course</b>	15
CRJ 531 Seminar in Criminal Justice	
CRJ 532 Seminar in Criminology	
CRJ 533 Criminal Justice Planning	
CRJ 534 Program Evaluation in Criminal Justice	
CRJ 535 Statistical Tools for Criminal Justice	
<b>Specialization</b>	9
Select three courses in consultation with faculty program committee.	
CRJ 551 Applied Data Analysis in Criminal Justice	
CRJ 552 Seminar in Policing	
CRJ 553 Courts and Sentencing	
CRJ 554 Seminar in Corrections	
CRJ 555 Seminar in Women and Crime	
CRJ 556 Seminar in Criminal Justice Organization and Management	
CRJ 598 Special Topics	
<b>Applied Project</b>	6
CRJ 593 Criminal Justice Policy Analysis Project	

# Communication Studies

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The Department of Communication Studies offers Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degrees in Communication Studies, undergraduate Minors in Communication Studies and Public Relations and Strategic

Communication, the Master of Arts Degree in Communication Studies, and a Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Communication and Human Relations.

## *Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degrees in Communication Studies*

### **Nature of program**

The Communication Studies Program is designed to explore how communication takes place in relationships, within national and international organizations, in public forums, and between and within cultures. The program is grounded in both rhetorical and communication theory approaches to the study of human communication. The major gives students the opportunity to study a common core of communication courses, to design part of their program to achieve individual goals, and to take part in a communication apprenticeship experience. Faculty and students work together to integrate teaching, research, and service with the goal of improving communicative interactions. The successful graduate will be able to communicate competently with people, be able to research, analyze, organize, and communicate information, and to show potential for leadership.

### **Career outlook**

The Communication Studies Department offers humanistic and social science approaches to communication leading to a wide range of employment options in both public and private sectors.

The Communication Studies program is designed to enhance students' interpersonal skills, presentational skills, and critical think-

ing skills. Thus, the successful graduate will be able to work effectively with people, assimilate, organize, and analyze information, solve problems, make effective presentations, and show potential for leadership. The program prepares students for advanced education and various careers and professions, including:

- training and development
- public relations
- public administration
- public office
- public advocacy
- speech writer
- lobbyist
- industrial research centers
- advertising
- mediation
- customer relations
- human resources
- health and human services
- international service
- fund-raising
- the ministry
- advancement toward careers in teaching, counseling, law, and medicine.

### **Admission requirements**

A minimum GPA of 2.00 is required for entrance into the major and for enrollment in all upper division courses.

## Major requirements

Of the minimum required 51 hours, majors must complete 24 semester hours of program core courses, 18 semester hours in one of four emphasis areas, three semester hours of senior apprenticeship, and six semester hours of communication electives. Students seeking the Bachelor of Science degree must complete one lower division statistics course and one additional upper division statistics course. All courses must be passed with a minimum grade of “C.”

### Lower division core (6 hours)

COM 222 Argumentation (L)  
COM 225 Public Speaking (L)

### Upper division core (18 hours)

COM 308 Empirical Research Methods in Communication (L)  
COM 309 Rhetorical, Interpretive, and Critical Methods in Communication  
COM 321 Rhetorical Theory and Research (L/HU)  
COM 410 Interpersonal Communication Theory and Research (SB)  
COM 450 Theory and Research in Organizational Communication (SB)  
COM 463 Cultural and Intercultural Communication Theory and Research (SB, G)

**Emphasis areas (18 upper division hours).** Students will design a program of course work with their faculty advisor (advisor approval of program mandatory) to study the application of communication concepts and strategies in various contexts. Of the 18 hours, 12 hours must be in the Communication Studies Program and up to six hours may be outside of the Communication Studies Program. Students are encouraged to take at least one special topics course (COM 394/494).

1. Communication and Relationships includes studying communication concepts and strategies that focus on communication in personal and social relationships.
2. Communication and Organizations involves studying communication concepts and strategies that focus on communication in national and international organizations.

3. Communication and Culture includes studying communication concepts and strategies that focus on communication within and between communities and cultures.

4. Rhetoric, Philosophy, and Media Studies includes studying rhetorical and philosophical concepts and strategies that focus on forms and contexts of public communication.

**Electives (6 hours).** Students will take six hours of electives in Communication Studies. These courses may include COM 100 Introduction to Human Communication or courses 200 level or above.

### Senior apprenticeship (3 upper division hours).

During their senior year students must complete three hours of either COM 499 (Individualized Instruction), COM 484 (Internship), or COM 382 (Classroom Apprenticeship) for their senior apprenticeship. Students must have faculty advisor approval in order to enroll in any of the above courses. The senior apprenticeship is evaluated on a satisfactory (Y) or fail (E) basis. Students must receive a satisfactory mark to receive credit for their senior apprenticeship.

Communication Internships (COM 484) consist of supervised field experiences and are available to qualified upper division undergraduate students. Internships must receive prior approval from the Coordinator of Internship Programs *before* student registration for the course. Internships may be taken once or repeated for credit up to a total of 12 hours.

Not more than six apprenticeship hours may be applied toward the major.

**Other requirements.** In addition to the above listed requirements, students must satisfy the General Studies Program requirements. Students should consult their advisors for current information concerning College of Human Services and the Communication Studies Program courses applicable to General Studies requirements.

## *Minor in Communication Studies*

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The minor consists of 18 credit hours of Communication Studies courses. Students wishing to pursue a minor must meet with a Communication Studies faculty advisor to construct a minor that reflects a particular area of specialty and interest. At least 12

semester hours must come from upper division courses. To graduate with the minor, students must earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in Communication Studies courses. All courses must be passed with a minimum grade of “C.”

## *Minor in Public Relations and Strategic Communications*

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The Public Relations and Strategic Communications will provide students with professional and academic expertise in persuasion and campaign communication, public relations, crisis communication, special events planning, marketing, professional writing, and editing (among other areas). Additionally, students will have the opportunity to refine their presentational skills needed for public and community relations.

### **Program Requirements**

The minor consists of 18 semester hours upper division coursework, including six semester hours of required course work, an internship, and nine semester hours of electives.

### **Required core courses (9 hours)**

Select two of the following three courses:

- COM 320 Communication and Consumerism
- COM 329 Persuasion
- COM 454 Rhetorical and Critical Approaches to Public Relations

COM 484 Internship

### **Electives (9 hours)**

Select courses from the following in consultation with an advisor

- COM 353 Professional Communication
- COM 414 Crisis Communication
- COM 453 Communication Training and Development
- ENG 311 Persuasive Writing
- ENG 315 Writing for the Professions
- ENG 412 Writing for Publication
- MKT 301 Fundamentals of Marketing
- MKT 410 Consumer Behavior
- REC 404 Marketing Recreation and Tourism
- REC 486 Special Events Management

Or other approved courses

## *Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Communication and Human Relations*

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### **Nature of program**

The contemporary workplace increasingly requires employees to develop advanced knowledge and skill in the processes of communication. This observation is based on several long-term trends. First, the increasing popularity of team-based organizational structures requires employees to develop competencies in group communication, nego-

tiation, and conflict management. Second, the tendency toward decentralization of decision-making in contemporary organizations requires leaders and followers to rely more heavily on persuasion and communication and less heavily on traditional structures and position power. Third, the need for organizations and governments to be more responsive to an increasingly diverse set of citizens and cus-



tomers requires competencies in cross-cultural communication, audience analysis, and message development. Fourth, rapidly developing communication technologies can be exploited only when employees are knowledgeable about the capabilities, limitations, and ethical implications of traditional and emerging media. Fifth, modern organizations are increasingly required to be responsive to the social, ethical, and environmental concerns of local communities. The program in Communication and Human Relations provides an individualized program of coursework for advanced students and employees seeking to stay abreast of these trends.

The certificate program is designed for working professionals in communication-intensive fields such as public affairs, employee relations, mediation, organizational development, public relations, training and development, community relations, customer relations, media relations, change management, sales and sales management, marketing, public administration, event planning, and health communication.

### Admission requirements

To be admitted to the Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Communication and Human Relations, an individual must:

1. possess a four-year baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university;
2. be admitted to ASU West as a nondegree graduate student; and
3. have completed the following college-level courses with a grade of “C” or better in each course:
  - a. Quantitative, qualitative, or critical research methods (three semester hours)

- b. Oral communication performance (200 level or above) (three semester hours)

### Program requirements

The certificate requires completion of 18 semester hours of upper division coursework in Communication Studies and related disciplines.

**Focused Coursework.** In consultation with a faculty advisor, students will design a program of study comprised of five courses (15 semester hours) focused in an area of human relations, such as employee communications, interpersonal relations, community relations. Course selections will be made from the following:

- COM 410 Interpersonal Communication
- COM 411 Communication in the Family
- COM 414 Crisis Communication
- COM 417 Communication and Aging
- COM 421 Rhetoric of Social Issues
- COM 430 Leadership in Group Communication
- COM 450 Theory and Research in  
Organizational Communication
- COM 451 Employee Participation Processes in  
Organizations
- COM 453 Communication Training and Development
- COM 456 Political Communication
- COM 457 New Media
- COM 494 Special Topics
- Other approved substitution

**Capstone Project.** Students are required to complete an independent research project (supervised by a faculty member) on a communication topic related to their professional or research interests. The project should reflect the integration and application of coursework to a social or organizational problem. The scope and quality of the written report will be appropriate for post-baccalaureate students. A minimum of three semester hours of COM 499 Individualized Instruction is required.

### Nature of program

The Master of Arts Degree in Communication Studies provides students with advanced analytical, oral, and written communication skills applicable in today's technological and information-based society. The program blends theoretical and practical perspectives concerning communication and advocacy in public and private communication settings.

### Career outlook

In today's technological and information-based society, advanced degrees that educate and train individuals in analytical, oral, and written communication skills make graduates suitable for a variety of occupations. National statistics indicate that the average American will experience at least four different occupations during his or her lifetime.

Graduate degrees in communication studies are among few degrees that blend the best attributes of a professional degree (training in specific areas and skills for particular vocations) with the best attributes of a liberal arts degree (ability to think critically, conceptualize new theories, and apply skills across a variety of occupational situations and challenges). This blend of intellectual skills is of great social and community consequence with respect to advocacy and social justice.

### Admission

Admission to the program is competitive, based on applicant's undergraduate scholarly activities and research abilities, and professional experience. All applicants must submit the following:

1. a completed application and official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work;

2. a 500-word personal statement indicating professional goals and addressing how the program will aid in the achievement of those goals;
3. official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores;
4. three letters of recommendation, up to two of which may come from appropriate professional, non-academic sources.
5. a writing sample of scholarly work or an example of professional activities (i.e., technical reports, grants, creative campaign); and
6. a minimum test score of 450 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language and a minimum score of 220 on the Test of Spoken English for all applicants who are non-native English speakers.

**Application.** The application, application fee, transcripts, and official GRE scores (sent by ETS) should be sent to:

Graduate Studies  
 Arizona State University West  
 P.O. Box 37100  
 Phoenix, AZ 85069-7100

Letters of recommendation, a resume, personal statement, and writing sample must be sent to:

Director of Graduate Studies  
 Department of Communication Studies  
 Arizona State University West  
 P.O. Box 37100  
 Phoenix, AZ 85069-7100

The completed application including all supporting material must be received prior to consideration for admission. The suggested application deadline is the second Tuesday in April for fall semester.

## Program requirements

The Master of Arts Degree in Communication Studies consists of 36 semester hours of coursework at the 500 level or above, including:

1. COM 502 Theory and Practice in Communication and Persuasion
2. COM 505 Methods in Applied Communication Research
3. COM 506 Humanistic Inquiry and Field Research
4. at least 21 semester hours of electives selected in consultation with the student's program advisor. When appropriate, students may take up to six semester hours outside the department.
5. a thesis (6 hours) or applied project (6 hours), or a written comprehensive examination plus six semester hours of coursework.

### Additional Requirements.

COM 502, 505, and 506 must be completed with a grade of "B" or better. In addition, the student must earn a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or better in all courses numbered 500 or higher that appear on the transcript and all courses that appear on the program of study.

Each student's program of study is the mutual responsibility of the student and his/her advisor. Students will be permitted to take comprehensive examinations only concurrent with or subsequent to completion of their 36th semester hour of coursework. Students who choose to complete the thesis or applied project option will be permitted to register for thesis or applied project semester hours only concurrent with or subsequent to completion of their 24th semester hour of coursework.

**Thesis or Applied Project.** The thesis or applied professional project must demonstrate intellectual, academic, and/or professional growth and ability. The prospectus and thesis or applied project will be supervised and approved by the student's advisor and committee. An oral defense is required for the thesis or applied project.

Descriptions of current program options and requirements are available from the Department of Communication Studies office in the Faculty and Administration Building S116-1.

# Gerontology Program

Location: FAB S170-2  
(602) 543-6642

## Nature of program

The Gerontology Program brings together faculty from several disciplines to teach courses related to adult development and aging, to collaborate on gerontological research, and to participate in projects of service to older adults. ASU West offers courses that fulfill requirements for the undergraduate Minor in Gerontology and the Graduate Certificate in Gerontology. In addition, many of the courses offered by this program may satisfy requirements for ASU West degree programs and General Studies requirements.

Program activities are designed for students who wish to study the psychological, sociological, biological, and policy-related aspects of aging as well as for those interested in the health, economic, and social concerns of older people.

Students study the aging process from multiple perspectives and develop knowledge and skills to prepare them for careers in an aging society. Courses related to aging are taught by faculty

who are active contributors to research and theory, and public policy and practice. Students gain practical experience in working with older adults through field-based experience and internships. The faculty also help students find rewarding volunteer positions in community programs and agencies for older adults.

## Career outlook

Since older Americans are becoming an increasing percentage of the population, there is a growing need for professionals with gerontological expertise. This is especially the case in Arizona due to the large number of retirement communities located here. Careers will be available in a broad range of fields including recreation, social work, nursing, counseling, public policy, and long term care administration. Career outlook for those with gerontological expertise is bright in not-for-profit, governmental and non-governmental settings as well as for-profit entrepreneurial settings.

## *Certificate in Gerontology*

The interdisciplinary Certificate in Gerontology is designed for students who wish to study the psychological, sociological, biological, and policy-related aspects of aging and the health, economic, and social concerns of older people. Admission to the program is open to individuals with a baccalaureate degree. The Certificate may be earned by non-degree seeking graduate students as well as graduate students enrolled in master's or doctoral programs. Undergraduate students may reserve up to nine semester hours earned toward the Certificate in Gerontology. (See the policy on Reserving of Course Credit by Undergraduates, page 107.)

The 21 semester hour Certificate in Gerontology provides a broad academic foundation for students who wish to apply the knowledge and skills acquired in their major and/or work experience to a variety of aging-related pursuits. Students complete seven courses related to aging. Students must complete two of three core courses (GRN 420, PGS 427, SOC 418) and a three-hour capstone experience (GRN 584 Internship, GRN 590 Reading and Conference, or GRN 592 Applied Research). The remaining 12 semester hours are courses taken as electives. Students must obtain a 3.00 GPA in the seven courses completed for the certificate.

For their electives, students choose courses from the gerontology-related offerings of several departments as well as those offered by the Gerontology Program. Of the 21 hours required for the Certificate, 15 hours must be completed at the 500 level. The capstone course must be completed at ASU West.

Students may elect to take the Certificate in conjunction with the M.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies (see page 150), with the 21 hours of study for the former constituting the core of the program of study for the M.A. Contact either program for details.

## *Minor in Gerontology*

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The Minor in Gerontology requires 18 semester hours of course work. The Gerontology minor is designed to explore the study of aging from an interdisciplinary perspective. Students select two of the three gerontology core courses and four additional aging-related courses that are approved as electives. The Gerontology Program allows double counting of courses from the student's major in the minor; however, students should consult with their major department to determine if it has more stringent requirements. A 2.50 grade point average must be obtained in the six courses.

Undergraduate students may begin taking courses for the minor upon completion of 56 semester hours with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00.

### **Core courses**

GRN 420 Health Aspects of Aging *or*  
 approved substitution  
 PGS 427 Psychology of Aging  
 SOC 418 Aging and the Life Course

**Electives.** All courses carrying a GRN prefix can be counted as elective courses in the program. A list of elective courses carrying other disciplinary prefixes which may be used towards completion of the minor and certificate in gerontology is available from the Gerontology Program Office.

For specific information on the Certificate in Gerontology and the undergraduate Minor in Gerontology, call the Gerontology Program at (602) 543-6642.

# Nursing

## *Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree*

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Location: FAB N290B  
(602) 543-6605

ASU West hosts the ASU Main College of Nursing Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. Junior and senior level nursing courses are hosted at ASU West and taught by ASU College of Nursing faculty. Beyond admission requirements, all upper division requirements for a nursing degree are offered at ASU West.

The Nursing faculty acknowledge their responsibility to health care consumers for the preparation of individuals who provide nursing care of professional quality through teaching, research, and service. Within the context of a liberal education, the undergraduate degree program prepares professional nurses who:

1. understand and respond to changing health and social needs and services;
2. influence nursing practice and health care through leadership and participation in professional and sociopolitical activities; and,
3. utilize scientific knowledge to advance professional nursing practice.

The continuing education program provides opportunities for nurses to improve and expand their nursing practice to meet the health care needs of various populations and to further their own professional development.

For information on admission, advising and degree requirements, refer to *ASU General Catalog*, “College of Nursing” section, call (480) 965-2987, or consult the College’s web page at [nursing.asu.edu](http://nursing.asu.edu).

# Recreation and Tourism Management

Chair: Wendy Hultsman, Ph.D.  
Location: FAB S115 A  
(602) 543-6603

The Recreation and Tourism Management Department offers the Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation and Tourism Management and minors in Special Events

Management and Tourism Management for majors outside the department.

## *Bachelor of Science Degree in Recreation and Tourism Management*

### **Nature of program**

The Recreation and Tourism Management program prepares students for leadership roles in the recreation, park, tourism, and travel management fields. Its primary purpose is to help students acquire the knowledge and perspective they will need to lead these fields through the social, economic, and environmental challenges of the next century.

The program offers a curriculum that places the study of recreation and tourism in a broad, multi-disciplinary context. Students will integrate perspectives from such diverse arenas as human development and behavior, law, marketing, strategic planning, urban and regional planning, financing, economic development, social justice, environmental management, human resource management, organizational behavior, and public policy. At the same time, the curriculum emphasizes experiential learning in professional settings to develop the core competencies required for professional-level entry into the recreation and tourism fields.

Students graduating from this program are eligible to sit for the examination to become a Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) and thereby acquire this valuable credential for professional advancement.

### **Accreditation**

The Bachelor of Science degree program in Recreation and Tourism Management is accredited by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA)/American Alliance for Leisure and Recreation (AALR) Council on Accreditation.

### **Career outlook**

Recreation and Tourism combined is the second-largest industry in the United States. While no university degree automatically ensures employment, Recreation and Tourism Management graduates who have tailored their programs and work experience to market opportunities have done very well in securing relevant career positions.

Public sector and for-profit recreation operations, resorts, employee recreation, special events, and non-profit agency recreation services have continued to grow to meet recreation demands. Employment for recreation professionals working with youth, older adults, and other special populations has grown significantly. Strong citizen and government emphasis has recently been placed on how to best use natural resources and how to best plan, design, operate, and maintain these resources.

Employment opportunities are expanding in areas such as resorts, outdoor recreation programs, fitness facilities, private membership clubs, military recreation, camps, and commercial recreation businesses. Federal, state, and local recreation agencies are contracting for many recreation services to handle increased demands they cannot presently meet. There are opportunities for assertive, highly motivated, competent, and innovative graduates to create their own nontraditional jobs. Career opportunities for minority students are good, especially in parks and natural resources where there is significant underrepresentation of

minorities. In terms of career opportunities, it is the Recreation and Tourism Management Department's goal to provide the best professional training possible to help our students be leading candidates for jobs upon graduation.

### Admission requirements

Admission to the degree program is based upon the applicant's educational and career goals. The applicant must meet the university and College of Human Services admission requirements.

Application forms are available in the Recreation and Tourism Management department office (FAB S115-A; (602) 543-6603). The application must be completed and accepted for the student to be considered a Recreation and Tourism Management major.

### Major requirements

The 63 semester hour Bachelor of Science degree program in Recreation and Tourism Management consists of 39 hours of major core courses, 15 hours of major elective courses, and nine hours of approved nonmajor elective courses from related areas.

The major core courses include six hours of lower division courses and 33 hours of upper division courses.

	Semester Hours
<b>Lower division core</b>	
REC 120 Leisure and Quality of Life (SB)	3
REC 210 Leisure Delivery Systems	3
<b>Upper division core</b>	
REC 301 Leadership in Recreation and Tourism	3
REC 302 Recreation and Tourism for Diverse Populations	3
REC 303 Programming Recreation and Tourism Services	3
REC 304 Recreation and Tourism Areas and Facilities Management	3
REC 401 Administration of Recreation and Tourism Services (L)	3
REC 402 Evaluation and Assessment in Recreation and Tourism	3
REC 403 Professional Development Seminar	3
REC 404 Marketing Recreation and Tourism	3
REC 484 Senior Internship	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>

The 15 hours of elective courses in the major must be strategically assembled to craft a specialty area in recreation or tourism management. Similarly, the nine hours of nonmajor course work in related areas must be chosen to enhance development within that specialty area. To achieve these goals, all elective hours within the degree program must be chosen in consultation with a faculty advisor.

**Additional major requirements.** The program requires two hundred hours of professional field experience approved by a faculty advisor, which must be completed and documented prior to enrollment in REC 484 Senior Internship.

The REC 484 Senior Internship course is a capstone experience for the major. A minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA is required for major courses prior to enrollment in the internship. Furthermore, students must demonstrate competency in the use of computers for word processing, spread sheets, and specialized programs related to leisure services prior to enrollment in the Senior Internship.

A grade of "C" or better is required for all courses credited toward the 54 semester hours of major courses required by the program.

Students must complete all university degree requirements, including General Studies Program requirements as articulated in the "General Studies Program" section of this catalog.



## Minor in Special Events Management

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### Nature of program

The Minor in Special Events Management is designed to offer students a solid understanding of special event programming and management. In addition to the two-tiered special event courses, which provide both basic and advanced instruction, as well as experiential learning opportunities through event production, each student will be able to select electives to meet his or her specific interests.

### Minor requirements

The minor consists of 12 semester hours of required courses and six semester hours of electives selected in consultation with a faculty advisor. At least 12 semester hours must be completed at ASU West in upper division classes. To earn the minor, students must complete all course work in the minor with a minimum grade of “C”. Recreation and Tourism Management majors are not eligible to earn the Minor in Special Events Management.

#### Required core courses (12 hours)

- REC 303 Programming Recreation and Tourism Services or
- REC 404 Marketing Recreation and Tourism
- REC 453 Volunteer Management in Human Service Organizations
- REC 486 Special Events Management
- REC 487 Special Events Management, Advanced

#### Electives (6 hours)

Select courses from the following in consultation with the minor advisor:

- REC 301 Leadership in Recreation and Tourism
- REC 303 Programming Recreation and Tourism Services
- REC 373 Leisure Travel and Tourism
- REC 404 Marketing Recreation and Tourism
- REC 451 Grant Writing for Human Service Professionals
- REC 475 Entrepreneurial Recreation and Tourism
- REC 345 Meeting and Convention Planning (available at ASU Main)
- REC 484 Senior Internship
- Other approved course

## Minor in Tourism Management

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### Nature of program

The Minor in Tourism Management is designed to provide students with fundamental knowledge in travel and tourism management. The minor may be useful to students pursuing degrees in Communication Studies, Administration of Justice, Global Business, Interdisciplinary Arts and Performance, Spanish, etc.

### Minor requirements

The minor consists of 18 semester hours of which 15 semester hours must be at the upper division level. To earn the minor, students must complete all courses with a minimum grade of “C”. Recreation and

Tourism Management majors are not eligible to earn the Minor in Tourism Management.

#### Required core courses (6 hours)

- REC 373 Leisure Travel and Tourism
- REC 473 Tourism Management or
- REC 475 Entrepreneurial Recreation and Tourism

#### Electives (12 hours)

Select courses from the following in consultation with the minor advisor

- REC 303 Programming Recreation and Tourism Services
- REC 304 Recreation and Tourism Areas and Facilities Management
- REC 360 Policy, Planning, Development of Recreation and Tourism Resources
- REC 401 Administration of Recreation and Tourism Services
- REC 404 Marketing Recreation and Tourism
- REC 458 International Tourism
- REC 473 Tourism Management
- REC 475 Entrepreneurial Recreation and Tourism
- REC 486 Special Events Management
- Other approved course (may be lower division)

# Social Work

Chair: Melissa Lavitt, Ph.D.  
Location: FAB S126  
(602) 543-6602

The Department of Social Work offers the Bachelor of Social Work and the Master of Social Work degree programs.

## *Bachelor of Social Work Degree*

B.S.W. Program Coordinator: Tanya Fitzpatrick, Ph.D.  
Location: FAB S148  
(602) 543-6629

### **Nature of program**

The goal of the Social Work Department is to train professional social workers for entry-level, generalist practice focused on populations that are most oppressed and most in need of the services social workers offer. A special emphasis is placed on working with diverse groups of the Southwest.

The undergraduate curriculum leads to a Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.). Junior and senior Social Work majors focus on Social Work courses in social policy and services, human behavior in the social environment, social work practice, research, and field instruction in community agencies. In addition, majors take elective courses in related areas.

The B.S.W.-level practitioner is seen as a generalist. The curriculum focuses on such roles as advocacy, referral, case management, and problem-solving functions with individuals, groups, families, organizations, and the community.

### **Accreditation**

The Bachelor of Social Work degree program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

### **Career outlook**

The Department of Social Work prepares students for professional generalist B.S.W. practice. Employment in social work is expected to grow faster than most other occupations until at least the year 2005.

Social Workers are employed in public and private agencies dealing with a wide variety of social issues including, child abuse, foster care, adoptions, health, mental health, aging, delinquency, corrections, family dysfunction, poverty, teen pregnancy, domestic violence, homelessness, AIDS, school-related problems, discrimination, disability, substance abuse, and others. Social work skills such as problem solving, resource utilization, counseling, group work, and community organization are also useful for positions with industry in employee relations and mediation.

### **Admission requirements**

In order to be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Social Work program, applicants must have:

1. completed the university First-Year Composition requirement with a grade of "C" or better;
2. completed all General Studies requirements with a grade of "C" or better;
3. completed the following Social Work courses with a grade of "C" or better:
  - a. SWU 271 Introduction to Social Work (SB, H)
  - b. SWU 291 Social Service Delivery Systems
  - c. SWU 301 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
  - d. SWU 310 Social Work Practice I

4. completed a minimum of 240 hours of volunteer or paid experience in social work related settings;
5. completed the following related courses with a grade of “C” or better:
  - a. ECN 111 Macroeconomic Principles (SB)
  - b. PGS 101 Introduction to Psychology (SB)
  - c. PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy (HU)
  - d. POL 110 Government and Politics (SB) *or* POL 310
  - e. SOC 101 Introductory Sociology (SB) *or* SOC 301
  - f. A course in Human Biology (e.g., LSC 365; BIO 120\*, 201\*)
  - g. A course in Statistical Analysis
  - h. A course with a contemporary focus on ethnic minorities of the Southwest
  - i. A course with a contemporary focus on women

*\*Complete this ASU Main course or transfer equivalent*

6. completed and submitted the Social Work Department application packet; and
7. be admitted to the university as a degree-seeking student.

**Applications.** Students wishing to enter the Social Work program are required to apply for admission to the program in addition to obtaining an official Certificate of Admission to the university. Students are eligible to apply for admission to the Social Work major during the last semester of the junior year.

A student may obtain a Social Work Department application packet at the Department of Social Work office (FAB S126) or request that one be mailed by calling (602) 543-6602.

**Criteria for admission.** Admission is based on the following criteria:

1. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 is required.

2. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 in core Social Work courses (SWU 271, 291, 301, and 310) and a grade of “C” or better in all Social Work courses are required. Students with less than a 2.75 GPA in Social Work courses may apply for conditional acceptance to the program.

3. The applicant’s educational and career goals must be compatible with the educational objectives of the program.

4. Three references are required for each applicant. Two references should be from individuals who have known the applicant in a professional capacity. The other reference will be provided by the applicant’s SWU 310 instructor.

5. The applicant must possess the degree of physical and mental health necessary to function successfully as a social worker.

**Admission appeal.** Those applicants who have been denied admission may request a conference to discuss the decision and to obtain guidance in the development of future plans. Students may appeal the decision to the B.S.W. Standards Committee.

**Readmission.** Undergraduate students who have previously attended ASU West but have not been enrolled at this institution for one or more semesters are required to apply for readmission following university procedures. Students who were previously B.S.W. majors may, in addition, be required to apply for readmission to the program.

**Transfer credit.** Direct transfer of courses from other accredited institutions to the Social Work Program is subject to the existence of parallel and equal courses in the school’s curriculum. Transfer credit is not given for courses in which the lowest passing grade (“D”) or a failing grade (“F”) was received. Credit for “life experience” is not given in lieu of course requirements.

## Major requirements

The required Social Work core consists of 48 semester hours.

	Semester Hours
SWU 271 Introduction to Social Work (SB, H)	3
SWU 291 Social Service Delivery Systems	3
SWU 301 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I (L)	3
SWU 310 Social Work Practice I	3
SWU 331 Social Policy and Services I (H)	3
SWU 402 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (SB)	3
SWU 410 Social Work Practice II†	3
SWU 411 Social Work Practice III†	3
SWU 412 Field Instruction I†	5
SWU 413 Field Instruction Seminar I†	1
SWU 414 Field Instruction II†	5
SWU 415 Field Instruction Seminar II†	1
SWU 420 Practice-Oriented Research	3
SWU 432 Social Policy and Services II	3
SWU 474 Ethnic/Cultural Variables in Social Work (C)	3
SWU 4__ Social Work Elective	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>

†Majors only.

**Electives.** Students are required to take courses in areas related to Social Work, such as Psychology, Sociology, Political Science, and Economics. It is necessary to consult with a faculty advisor in selecting electives.

**Field instruction.** Field instruction for the B.S.W. program is offered concurrently with classroom study. Students are assigned to a social service agency and work under the supervision of an experienced and certified social work professional. Field instruction permits testing theory in practice and gives a base of experience to class discussions. Qualified agencies in several Arizona communities are utilized for field instruction.

B.S.W. students work in one placement for 16 hours a week, usually two full days each week, for a total of 480 hours over two semesters. In assigning the placement, the program takes into account the student's educational needs and career goals. Generalist social workers need to be familiar with the methods of working with individuals, families, and groups, as well as in organizations

and communities and with all ages and ethnic groups. The faculty are committed to establishing the capabilities necessary for high-quality, social work generalist practice.

B.S.W. field instruction agencies are located primarily in the Phoenix metropolitan area. Personal transportation is strongly recommended while in field placement.

## Graduation requirements

Social Work majors must file a Declaration of Graduation within the semester that they earn their 81st credit. A minimum of 120 semester hours, a minimum of 50 semester hours in upper division courses, a minimum of 480 hours in field education, and a minimum GPA of 2.00 are required for graduation with a B.S.W. degree. To be acceptable as graduation credit, all course and field work in the major must show an earned grade of "C" (2.00) or higher.

## Academic policies

In order to remain in good academic standing, students must maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.00 (B.S.W.) at the end of each semester. Most courses in the program are sequential; successful completion of each course in the sequence is required to enroll in the following course. Students may not enroll in any second-year required courses until all foundation courses have been completed successfully.

**Retention and disqualification.** Students must maintain a minimum overall cumulative GPA of 2.00 (B.S.W.). A student is placed on probationary status automatically when (1) the GPA is less than the minimum at the end of any semester or (2) a grade of "D" or "E" is received for any major core requirement, regardless of the GPA. Students may also be put on probation for reasons other than grades. See the *Policies and Procedures Manual of the Department of Social Work* for information on the resolution of probationary status.

**Termination from the program.** A student may be terminated from the program under any one of the following circumstances:

1. a student fails to carry out the plan developed during a probationary semester.
2. the student receives an “E” grade (failure) in field practicum.
3. the student does not accept or is not accepted by three or more field agencies if, in the judgment of faculty and field staff, the placements can provide appropriate field experiences without undue inconvenience to the student.
4. the student does not adhere to professional expectations and standards (see the *Code of Conduct*, *NASW Code of Ethics*, and *CSWE Curriculum Policy Statement*).
5. a student appears to lack the degree of physical and/or mental health necessary to function successfully as a social worker.

The responsibility for reviewing and determining the qualification of students whose behavior and/or performance are in question is vested in the Status Review Committee.

**Appeal procedures.** Students who feel they have been unjustly treated in academic or other matters relating to their career as students may appeal by following the guidelines set forth in the “ASU West Academic Policies” section of the *B.S.W. Student Handbook*.

**Student responsibilities.** Students are expected to support and maintain the highest professional standards as spelled out in the *Code of Conduct* and the *National Association of Social Workers Code of Ethics*.

Regular attendance is expected in all classes and in field education and is a critical factor in evaluation of performance.

## Master of Social Work Degree

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### Nature of program

The Master of Social Work (M.S.W.) program requires 60 semester hours of course work with 900 hours of fieldwork. The program prepares students for advanced social work practice. The first year, or its equivalent, consists of foundation courses. The second year, or its equivalent, provides an opportunity to focus coursework on advanced generalist practice. Students will also gain expertise in a particular aspect of diversity such as ethnic minorities of the southwest, physical disability, religious diversity, immigrants, or gender.

An Advanced Standing program is designed for applicants who have completed a B.S.W. from an accredited undergraduate social work program. Preference will be given to applicants who completed the B.S.W. within the past six years. The successful applicant

has social work experience that demonstrates competence in generalist practice skills. Advanced Standing requires 34 semester hours, beginning with a summer preparatory “bridge” class.

### Career outlook

There is currently a shortage of master’s level social workers in the United States. Considering Arizona’s rapidly growing population, the need for more social services and social service providers is greater than in other parts of the country. Locally, the need for professional social workers is expected to increase faster than average in comparison to all occupations. There is a significant shortage of social workers in behavioral health and services for children and their families. Furthermore, services for aging adults continue to expand.

## Accreditation

The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) has specific guidelines for accreditation. The accreditation process proceeds in sequential stages: candidacy and then accreditation. The M.S.W. program is currently in candidacy for accreditation. Full accreditation is anticipated to occur in Summer 2003.

## Admission

Admission to the M.S.W. program is open to:

1. holders of baccalaureate degrees from institutions with regional accreditation;
2. those who show promise of success as demonstrated by scores on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE), Miller Analogies Test (MAT), previous schooling, and experience; and
3. those who have career goals that are compatible with the educational objectives of the program.

**Application.** An official transcript from every university or institution attended must be received by the Office of Graduate Studies at ASU West before an application can be considered. Three letters of recommendation, a resume, and a personal statement must be sent to the M.S.W. program office. The suggested application deadline is May 1 for fall semester. The application deadline for the Advanced Standing Program is March 1.

The application, application fee, transcripts, and official GRE or MAT scores (sent by the testing service to ASU) should be sent to:  
Graduate Studies  
Arizona State University West  
P.O. Box 37100  
Phoenix, AZ 85069-7100

All other information for admission processing should be sent to:  
M.S.W. Program  
Department of Social Work  
Arizona State University West  
P.O. Box 37100  
Phoenix, AZ 85069-7100

## Program requirements

The M.S.W. program is comprised of 42 semester hours of coursework plus 18 semester hours of fieldwork. (Note: One semester hour of fieldwork requires 50 clock hours in the field setting.)

	Semester Hours
<b>Required foundation courses</b>	<b>29</b>
SWG 503 Development of Families in Oppressive Context	
SWG 504 Theories of Human Behavior	
SWG 512 Values and Ethics of Social Work Practice I	
SWG 513 Advanced Social Work Generalist Practice II	
SWG 520 Research and Advocacy	
SWG 532 Policy and Social Change	
SWG 534 Diversity and Underserved Populations	
SWG 540 The Professional Experience (fieldwork)	
SWG 543 The Professional Experience (fieldwork)	
<b>Advanced Standing Required "Bridge" Course</b>	<b>0-3</b>
SWG 600 Foundation for Advanced Practice	
<b>Advanced Generalist Practice concentration</b>	
<b>Required courses</b>	<b>22</b>
SWG 610 Advanced Social Work Practice III	
SWG 631 Advanced Policy Analysis	
SWG 645 The Professional Experience	
SWG 646 The Professional Experience	
SWG 693 Applied Project or Elective*	
SWG 697 Special Topics in Working with Diverse Groups	
*Students will either complete an Applied Project or take comprehensive examinations plus an elective course.	
<b>Electives in specialized area of practice</b>	<b>9</b>
In consultation with their faculty advisor, students will select three courses based on field placement, intended area of practice, final project, and specific diversity emphasis.	
SWG 607 Social Work Perspective in Alcohol and Drug Addictions	
SWG 615 Effective Intervention with Children and Adolescents	
SWG 625 Violence Across the Life Cycle	
SWG 626 Crisis Intervention and Short-Term Treatment	
SWG 650 Grief and Loss	
SWG 651 Theories of Aging	
SWG 652 Human Services for At-Risk Youths	
SWG 653 Theory and Practice of Family Therapy	
SWG 655 Issues in Prevention	
Other approved course	

# Prelaw Minor

## *Minor in Prelaw*

Chair, Prelaw Advising Committee: Nancy Rodriguez, Ph.D.  
Location: FAB S272 A  
(602) 543-6601

### Nature of program

The Prelaw minor is designed to explore the study of law from an interdisciplinary perspective. Students will take a core of classes which are reflective of courses taken by first year law students and will enhance a student's critical thinking skills. In addition, students will select elective courses for the minor with assistance from the College's Human Services Advising Office and from a faculty member on the College's Prelaw Advising Committee. In general, the courses selected as Prelaw minor electives are those which:

1. enhance the student's critical thinking and writing skills;
2. develop the student's knowledge of the law; and
3. enhance the student's understanding of the social, cultural, historical, economic and political development of the law in our society or world.

The minor is designed for students who plan to attend law school or who contemplate careers in fields closely related to the legal profession. Students who exhibit exceptional critical thinking and writing skills are highly successful in their legal studies. It is expected that students in the minor will be able to think both logically and creatively about the law and its philosophical basis. In addition, students will be able to effectively apply legal principles to various factual problems, a rudimentary part of the case book method of legal study.

### Minor requirements

The 18 semester hour Minor in Prelaw consists of nine hours of required courses and nine hours of elective courses to be selected with advisement. Students may not count classes towards both completion of their major and the Prelaw minor.

	Semester Hours
<b>Core Classes (select three classes)</b>	9
AJS 360 Substantive Criminal Law	
COM 422 Argumentation, Critical Reasoning and Public Communication	
GLB 300 Gateway to Global Business <i>or</i>	
LES 306 Business Law	
POL 470 Law and the Political Order	
<b>Electives</b>	9
Students must select nine hours of courses with advisement to complete the minor.	

**Electives.** The nine hours of electives must be strategically assembled from courses which are either reflective of the different types of law they are interested in studying (e.g.: business law, civil liberties, criminal law, environmental law, family law, international law, legal history and jurisprudence, and mental health law), or which enable them to develop critical thinking and writing skills. A list of elective courses which may be used towards completion of the minor is available from the College of Human Services' Advising Office or from a member of the Prelaw Advising Committee.

## COLLEGE OF HUMAN SERVICES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

## Administration of Justice

### AJS 100 The Justice System (3)

*fall and spring only*

Overview of the justice system. Roles of law enforcement personnel, the courts, and correctional agencies. Philosophical and theoretical views in historical perspective. General studies: SB.

### AJS 200 Topics in Concepts and Issues of Justice (3)

*fall only*

Use of critical thinking skills to analyze and comprehend controversial social issues. May be repeated for credit with different titles. General studies: SB.

### AJS 230 The Police Function (3)

*fall and spring only*

Introduction to policing in the United States covering the history of police, contemporary police work, and problems in policing.

### AJS 240 The Correctional Function (3)

*fall and spring only*

This course introduces students to the structure and function of the corrections system from historical and contemporary perspectives.

### AJS 302 Research Methods (3)

*fall and spring only*

Focus is on developing and evaluating research designs, data collection, and the relationship between validity and reliability. Methods for conducting research are also stressed. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100 or instructor approval.

### AJS 303 Statistical Analysis (3)

*fall and spring only*

Introduction to the fundamentals and application of descriptive and inferential statistics, with emphasis in the administration of justice area. Pre or corequisite: the university mathematics requirement; AJS 100 or instructor approval. General studies: CS.

### AJS 304 Criminology (3)

*fall and spring only*

Provides a basic overview of the nature, the causes and consequences, and the theories of criminal behavior. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100 or instructor approval.

### AJS 305 Women, Crime, and Justice (3)

*fall and spring only*

The study of women as offenders, victims, and professionals in the criminal justice system. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100. General studies: C.

### AJS 306 Race, Ethnicity, and Justice (3)

*fall and spring only*

The study of minority issues in the criminal justice system. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100. General studies: C.

### AJS 312 Police and Culture (3)

*once a year*

Covers broad concept of culture, theoretical approaches to police subculture, and major themes that characterize police culture (suspicion, danger, solidarity, and isolationism). Prerequisites: AJS 100, 230.

### AJS 314 Innovations in Policing (3)

*once a year*

Examine current theories and research findings that guide police work, and the practical implications of evaluation within police departments. Prerequisites: AJS 100, 230.

### AJS 315 Police Organization and Management (3)

*once a year*

The course provides students with a thorough understanding of the structure, processes, and behavior of police organizations. Prerequisites: AJS 100, 230.

### AJS 320 The Adjudication Function (3)

*once a year*

History and development of courts, trial by jury, and other dispute resolution mechanisms; selection and removal of judges and juries; organization, structure, and jurisdiction of courts; trial and nontrial processes of the judiciary. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100.

### AJS 340 Juvenile Justice (3)

*fall and spring only*

A critical examination of the history and development of the juvenile court and the juvenile justice system. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100.

### AJS 350 Law and Social Control (3)

*once a year*

Resolution of social issues through the application of law as an agent of social control. Nature, sanctions, and limits of law. Categories of law and schools of jurisprudence. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100. General studies: SB.

### AJS 360 Substantive Criminal Law (3)

*fall and spring only*

Criminal liability. Crimes against persons, property, and society. Governmental sanctions of individual conduct as formulated by legislatures and the courts. Pre or corequisite: AJS 100.

### AJS 410 Procedural Criminal Law (3)

*fall and spring only*

The criminal process. Constitutional and legal problems associated with arrest, search and seizure, and due process of law. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

### AJS 420 Imperatives of Proof (3)

*once a year*

Problems and means of establishing identity and fact in relation to arrest, detention, adjudication, sentencing, and correctional case management. Prerequisite: AJS 100.



**AJS 430 Correctional Law (3)***once a year*

The study of the rights of inmates and the duties of corrections officials. Prerequisite: AJS 100, 230.

**AJS 441 Prevention of Crime and Delinquent Behavior (3)***once a year*

Theories of prevention, individual, group, and community approaches: intervention at appropriate stages; contemporary law enforcement and corrections practices. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

**AJS 442 Community Relations in the Justice System (3)***once a year*

Focus on developing an informed plan and policy for incorporating research findings about the surrounding community within various justice services and agencies. Topics include social stratification, minority groups, and victimology. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

**AJS 443 Probation and Community Corrections (3)***once a year*

This course examines the probation and parole functions as well as the numerous and diverse types of community corrections programs. Prerequisite: AJS 100, 240.

**AJS 461 Domestic Violence (3)***once a year*

Legal, historical, theoretical, and treatment aspects of domestic violence, including child abuse, woman battering, incest, and marital rape. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

**AJS 462 Gangs (3)***once a year*

A critical examination of the history and development of gangs, including criminal justice system responses to gangs and gang related behaviors. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

**AJS 463 Occupational Crime (3)***once a year*

Overview of major issues in business, professional, and official rule violations. Includes consumer fraud, securities violations, unethical professionalism, and political corruption. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

**AJS 464 Organized Crime (3)***once a year*

The nature of organized crime and its illegal activities, theories of containment, and efforts by justice agencies to counter its dominance in society. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

**AJS 470 Discretionary Justice (3)***once a year*

Use/abuse, key issues/manifestations of discretion in legal system and other societal institutions. Theoretical/empirical linkages between discretion and discrimination, based on race, ethnicity, and gender. Prerequisite: AJS 100. General studies: L/SB.

**AJS 484 Internship (1-12)***fall, spring, summer*

Assignments in a justice-related placement designed to further the student's integration of theory and practice. Placements are arranged through consultation with students and agencies. May be taken for a total of up to 12 hours credit, of which a maximum of 6 are applied to the major. Students must consult with the program to arrange internships.

**AJS 499 Individualized Instruction (1-3)***fall, spring, summer*

Original study or investigation in the advanced student's field of interest under the supervision of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit up to a maximum of 6 hours, all applicable to the major. Readings, conferences, tutorials. Prerequisite: AJS 100.

## Communication Studies

**COM 100 Introduction to Human Communication (3)***fall and spring only*

A topics-oriented introduction to basic theories, dimensions, and concepts of human communicative interaction and behavior. General studies: SB.

**COM 222 Argumentation (3)***fall and spring only*

Philosophical and theoretical foundations of argumentation, including a comparison of models of advocacy and evidence. Prerequisite: ENG 101 (or 105). General studies: L.

**COM 225 Public Speaking (3)***fall only*

Verbal and nonverbal communication in platform speaking. Discussion and practice in vocal and physical delivery and purposeful organization of public communication. Prerequisite: ENG 101 (or 105). General studies: L.

**COM 308 Empirical Research Methods in Communication (3)***fall and spring only*

Examination of social science approaches to the study of communication, including experimental, survey, descriptive, and other quantitative approaches. Prerequisite: ENG 101 (or 105). General studies: L.

**Key to General Studies****Credit Abbreviations**

L Literacy and critical inquiry core courses

MA Mathematics core courses

CS Computer/statistics/quantitative applications core courses

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**COM 309 Rhetorical, Interpretive, and Critical Methods in Communication (3)***fall and spring only*

Examination of humanistic and qualitative approaches to communication. Introduction of textual, interactional and ethnographic methods.

**COM 310 Relational Communication (3)***fall and spring only*

This course examines communication processes as they relate to relationship development, maintenance, and termination.

**COM 312 Communication, Conflict, and Negotiation (3)***fall and spring only*

Theories and strategies of communication relevant to the management of conflicts and the conduct of negotiations.

**COM 316 Gender and Communication (3)***fall and spring only*

Introduction to gender-related communication. Verbal, nonverbal, and paralinguistic differences and similarities are examined within social, psychological, and historic perspectives. General studies: C.

**COM 320 Communication and Consumerism (3)***fall only*

Critical evaluation of messages designed for public consumption. Perceiving, evaluating, and responding to political, social, and commercial communication. General studies: SB.

**COM 321 Rhetorical Theory and Research (3)***fall only*

Historical development of rhetorical theory and research in communication, from classical antiquity to the present. Prerequisite: ENG 101 (or 105). General studies: L/HU.

**COM 324 Rhetoric and Media Criticism (3)***once a year*

Critical examination of media arts, including cinema, television, and video. Application of rhetorical, textual, and interpretive methods of criticism.

**COM 325 Advanced Public Speaking (3)***fall and spring only*

Social and pragmatic aspects of public speaking as a communicative system; strategies of rhetorical theory and the presentation of forms of public communication.

**COM 329 Persuasion (3)***fall and spring only*

Variables that influence and modify attitudes and behaviors of message receivers, including analysis of theories, research, and current problems.

**COM 353 Professional Communication (3)***once a year*

Introduction to both verbal and written professional communication styles and technologies in preparation for communication-related internships and careers.

**COM 371 Cross-Cultural Communication Perspectives (3)***fall only*

Exploration of different cultures' approaches to theories of and practices in social interaction and public discourse. General studies: G.

**COM 382 Classroom Apprenticeship (1-3)***fall and spring only*

Nongraded credit for students extending their experience with a content area by assisting with classroom supervision in other COM courses (maximum 3 semester hours each semester). Prerequisite: instructor approval.

**COM 394 Special Topics (1-3)***fall, spring, summer*

Variable topics course designed around specific themes, concepts, and questions central to the study of communication. Prerequisite: instructor approval.

**COM 410 Interpersonal Communication Theory and Research (3)***fall and spring only*

Survey and analysis of major research topics, paradigms, and theories dealing with message exchanges between and among social peers. Prerequisite: COM 308 or 309, or instructor approval. General studies: SB.

**COM 411 Communication in the Family (3)***fall only*

A broad overview of communication issues found in marriage and family life, focusing on current topics concerning communication in the family. General studies: SB.

**COM 414 Crisis Communication (3)***once a year*

Role of communication in crisis development and intervention.

**COM 416 Gender, Race, Colonialism, and Media (3)***once a year*

Exploration of how the mass media constructs gender and race and perpetuates colonial views of minorities and varied nationalities.

**COM 417 Communication and Aging (3)***spring only*

Critical study of changes in human communicative patterns through the later adult years, with attention on intergenerational relationships and self-concept functions.

**COM 421 Rhetoric of Social Issues (3)***spring only*

Critical rhetorical study of significant speakers and speeches on social issues of the past and present. Prerequisite: COM 321 or instructor approval. General studies: HU.

**COM 422 Argumentation, Critical Reasoning and Public Communication (3)***fall, spring, summer*

Advanced study of argumentation theories and research as applied to public forums including: political, business, and legal contexts. Prerequisite: COM 222 or instructor approval. General studies: L.

**COM 424 Television Studies and Criticism (3)***fall only*

Survey of critical and historical approaches to television as a medium; to television research; and to television's effects. Prerequisite: COM 309 or instructor approval.

**COM 429 Semiotics and Visual Communication (3)***once a year*

Semiotic analysis of mediated forms of communication, including film, television, and photography. Includes the political and aesthetic dimensions of images. Prerequisite: COM 309 or instructor approval.

**COM 430 Leadership in Group Communication (3)***fall only*

Theory and process of leadership in group communication, emphasizing philosophical foundations, contemporary research, and applications to group situations. General studies: SB.

**COM 450 Theory and Research in Organizational Communication (3)***fall and spring only*

Critical review and analysis of the dominant theories of organizational communication and their corollary research strategies. Prerequisite: COM 308 or 309, or instructor approval. General studies: SB.

**COM 451 Employee Participation Processes in Organizations (3)***spring only*

Communication principles and practices associated with employee empowerment, team-based organizing, and similar employee involvement processes. Prerequisite: COM 308 or COM 309 or instructor approval.

**COM 453 Communication Training and Development (3)***fall only*

Examination of the procedures and types of communication training and development in business, industry, and government. Prerequisite: COM 308 or instructor approval.

**COM 454 Rhetorical and Critical Approaches to Public Relations (3)***once a year*

An historical and contemporary account of how public relations messages build corporate identities and persuade audiences by shaping public values. Prerequisite: COM 309 or instructor approval.

**COM 456 Political Communication (3)***spring only*

Theory and research related to political campaign communication. The persuasive process of political campaigning, the role of the media, the candidate and image creation. General studies: SB.

**COM 457 New Media (3)***once a year*

Exploration of how new communication and information technologies affect communication and culture. Prerequisite: COM 308 or 309.

**COM 463 Cultural and Intercultural Communication Theory and Research (3)***fall and spring only*

Survey and analysis of major theories and research dealing with communication within cultures and between people of different cultural backgrounds. Prerequisite: COM 308 or 309, or instructor approval. General studies: SB, G.

**COM 465 Intercultural Communication Workshop (1-3)***selected semesters*

Experientially based study of communication between members of different cultures designed to help students improve their intercultural communication skills.

**COM 471 International Communication (3)***once a year*

Exploration of the political, economic, socio-cultural, and communicative dimensions of mediated communication across borders and the processes of globalization. Prerequisite: COM 463 or instructor approval. General studies: G.

**COM 475 Nonverbal Communication Theory and Research (3)***once a year*

Critical study of theories/research concerning nonlinguistic aspects of communication. Functions of nonverbal behaviors in various communication contexts are examined.

**COM 484 Internship (1-12)***fall and spring only*

Fee or deposit.

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**COM 502 Theory and Practice in Communication and Persuasion (3)***fall only*

Theoretical exploration of communicative and persuasive practices as applied in various contexts. Surveys classical, modern, and contemporary theories of persuasion.

**COM 505 Methods in Applied Communication Research (3)***fall only*

Examination of the intellectual, practical, and ethical dimensions of engaging in applied research. Emphasis on empirical and quantitative methods.

**COM 506 Humanistic Inquiry and Field Research in Communication (3)***spring only*

Examination of interpretive, critical, and rhetorical approaches to communication and advocacy; includes hermeneutics, ethnography, and cultural studies.

**COM 515 Ethical Issues in Communication (3)***once a year*

Variable topics course examining the ethical issues or concerns related to communication. Course may examine research, theory, and/or practice. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 520 Communication Campaigns (3)***spring only*

Exploration of the theory and practice of developing effective public communication strategies aimed at general or specific audiences. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 522 Argumentation and Advocacy (3)***fall and spring only*

Introduction to various models of argumentation and their applications to various spheres of advocacy.

**COM 531 Communication and Social Change (3)***fall and spring only*

Examination of human communication and technologies of communication as agents of social change within groups, communities, organizations, and/or cultures. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 532 Relational Dynamics in Communication (3)***once a year*

Relational communication examined through principles of personal relationships and social interaction, includes discussion of reciprocity, dialogue, and equality. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 550 Advocacy in Organizational Settings (3)***once a year*

Examines issues of upward influence, the expression of dissent, and grievance systems within organizational contexts. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 551 Democracy and Power in Organizations (3)***selected semesters*

Examination of structural, relational, and symbolic dimensions of organizational communication and discourses. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 557 Communication and Technology (3)***once a year*

Assesses technology's role in the social dynamics of human interaction. Focus on the impact of technology and related policy issues. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 565 Communication, Globalization, and Diversification (3)***spring only*

Exploration of the forces leading to increased intergroup contact and their impact on social, economic, and political dynamics. Prerequisite: COM 502.

**COM 593 Applied Project (1-6)***once a year*

Preparation of a supervised applied professional project.

**COM 599 Thesis (1-6)***once a year*

Supervised research focused on preparation of thesis, including literature review, research, data collection and analysis, and writing.

## Criminal Justice

**CRJ 531 Seminar in Criminal Justice (3)***fall only*

An overview of the American criminal justice system with emphasis on policy issues in police, courts, sentencing, corrections. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 532 Seminar in Criminology (3)***spring only*

Theory and research on the nature, causes and prediction of criminal careers and events. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 533 Criminal Justice Planning (3)***spring only*

Course examines the application of alternative models of strategic planning to the criminal justice systems. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 534 Program Evaluation in Criminal Justice (3)***fall only*

The course covers methods of program evaluation, principals of research design, and evaluation tools and resources. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 535 Statistical Tools for Criminal Justice (3)***fall only*

This course focuses on essential statistical analysis that can be used by persons working in criminal justice and related agencies. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 551 Applied Data Analysis in Criminal Justice (3)***spring only*

This course examines a variety of tools used in the analysis of criminal justice data including GIS mapping. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 552 Seminar in Policing (3)***fall only*

Graduate level review of policing and police organizations. Seminar examines research on police strategies and practices designed to address crime. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 553 Courts and Sentencing (3)***spring only*

An overview of the nature, proposed principles, and theoretical doctrine of the courts and sentencing policies in criminal justice.

**CRJ 554 Seminar in Corrections (3)***spring only*

Theory, research, and policy issues regarding community based and institutional correction programs. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 555 Seminar in Women and Crime (3)***spring only*

Introduces students to issues regarding women and the criminal justice system, focusing on their roles as offenders, victims and professionals. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 556 Seminar in Criminal Justice Organization and Management (3)***spring only*

Graduate level review of policing and police organizations. Seminar examines research on police strategies and practices designed to address crime. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 593 Criminal Justice Policy Analysis Project (1-6)***fall, spring, summer*

Students will apply statistical, evaluation, and planning skills and tools to criminal justice policy and operational issues. Prerequisites: Admission to MACJ program or by instructor approval.

**CRJ 598 Special Topics in Criminal Justice (1-3)***fall and spring only*

Topics may include restorative justice, drugs and crime, juvenile justice, community policing, community corrections, crime prevention, and legal issues.

## Gerontology

**GRN 394 Special Topics (3)***fall and spring only*

Selected topics in gerontology.

**GRN 400 Aging in the New Millennium (3)***once a year*

Multidisciplinary introduction to the study of aging in individuals, families, and society. Cross-listed as SOC 400. General studies: SB.

**GRN 420 Health Aspects of Aging (3)***spring only*

Examines biological, social, and behavioral aspects of health in the later years. The organization and delivery of care are considered. General studies: SB.

**GRN 494 Special Topics (3)***fall, spring, summer*

Selected topics in gerontology, such as:

- Communication and Aging
- Aging and Social Policy
- Aging and the Family
- Spirituality and Aging
- Women and Aging
- Mental Health and Aging
- Leisure and Aging

**GRN 598 Special Topics (3)***fall, spring, summer*

Selected topics in gerontology.

## Health Science

**HES 301 Adult Fitness I (1)***fall, spring, summer*

Physical fitness and benefits of exercise. Emphasis on fitness assessment and designing an individualized assessment program. 2 hours a week. "Y/E" grade only. Not open to students with credit for EPE 301 or 325 or 494 or HES 494. Fee or deposit.

**HES 302 Adult Fitness II (1)***fall, spring, summer*

Continuation of HES 301. 2 hours a week. "Y/E" grade only. Not open to students with credit for EPE 301 or 325 or 494. Fee or deposit. Prerequisite: HES 301.

**HES 303 Adult Fitness III (1)***fall, spring, summer*

Continuation of HES 302. 2 hours a week. "Y/E" grade only. Not open to students with credit for EPE 301 or 325 or 494. Fee or deposit. Prerequisites: HES 301, 302.

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**HES 394 Special Topics (1)***fall and spring only*

Selected topics in Health Science, such as Tai Chi and Yoga. “Y/E” grade only. Fee or deposit.

**Recreation and Tourism****REC 120 Leisure and Quality of Life (3)***fall only*

Conceptual foundations for understanding the role of leisure in quality of life, socially, historically, psychologically, culturally, economically, and politically. General studies: SB.

**REC 210 Leisure Delivery Systems (3)***spring only*

Introduction to development, management, and organization of the public, not-for-profit, and private sectors for the leisure services profession.

**REC 301 Leadership in Recreation and Tourism (3)***fall only*

Leadership theory and strategies applied to recreation and tourism settings, emphasizing group dynamics, motivational processes, and supervisory skills.

**REC 302 Recreation and Tourism for Diverse Populations (3)***fall only*

The role of recreation and tourism in serving the needs of culturally, physically, emotionally, mentally, and demographically diverse populations. Involves fieldwork.

**REC 303 Programming Recreation and Tourism Services (3)***spring only*

Foundations for effective programming of leisure services in public, not-for-profit, and private sectors. Involves fieldwork. Prerequisite: Recreation and Tourism Management major status or instructor approval.

**REC 304 Recreation and Tourism Areas and Facilities Management (3)***spring only*

Principles of management, care, function, and maintenance of recreation and tourism areas, facilities, and resources. Field and classroom based.

**REC 309 Leisure and Society (3)***selected semesters*

Introduction to personal social implications of leisure, recreation, play, games. Examination of historical, philosophical, social, cultural, behavioral aspects of leisure. Prerequisite: not open to Recreation and Tourism Management majors. General studies: HU.

**REC 340 Outdoor Survival (3)***selected semesters*

Interdisciplinary approach to outdoor survival, including attitudes, psychological stress, physiological stress, preparation, hypothermia, navigation, flora, and wildlife. Field trips required.

**REC 345 Team Building Strategies (3)***summer only*

Exploration of the concepts and strategies for facilitating team building, self-confidence, and positive self-esteem in situations across the lifespan.

**REC 360 Policy, Planning, Development of Recreation and Tourism Resources (3)***selected semesters*

An investigation of the policy, planning, development, and management practices related to the provision of recreation and tourism opportunities.

**REC 363 Management Issues in Recreation and Tourism (3)***selected semesters*

Survey of management issues in recreation, parks, and leisure services delivery systems.

**REC 368 Recreation Management in Special Settings (3)***selected semesters*

Concepts and management of a variety of nontraditional recreation settings, including corporations, aquatic facilities, retirement communities, armed forces, campus recreation.

**REC 373 Leisure Travel and Tourism (3)***once a year*

An examination of leisure travel and tourism, tourist behavior, and the effect of tourism on communities. Prerequisite: one semester of freshman composition. General studies: L/SB.

**REC 401 Administration of Recreation and Tourism Services (3)***spring only*

Basic application of management principles to recreation and tourism services. Includes budgeting, personnel actions, legal issues, and public relations. Involves fieldwork. Prerequisite: REC 210. General studies: L.

**REC 402 Evaluation and Assessment in Recreation and Tourism (3)***spring only*

In-depth development of a program evaluation. Specification of objectives, instrument development and administration, data analysis, and reporting findings. Prerequisite: REC 210 or instructor approval.

**REC 403 Professional Development Seminar (3)***fall only*

Emphasis on current professional issues and refinement of professional philosophy and competencies that enable transition from student to professional. Prerequisite: Recreation and Tourism Management major.

**REC 404 Marketing Recreation and Tourism (3)***fall only*

Principles of marketing and promotional strategy for recreation and tourism operations. Emphasizes case study experience with leading professionals.

**REC 450 Leisure and Aging (3)***fall only*

An examination of the factors influencing leisure among older adults, including policy issues and program service implications. Involves fieldwork.

**REC 451 Grant Writing for Human Service Professionals (3)***fall and spring only*

How to increase grant funding: creating fundable ideas, identifying sponsors, following guidelines, writing effectively, constructing budgets, responding to reviewers.

**REC 453 Volunteer Management in Human Service Organizations (3)***fall only*

Administration of volunteer service programs. Study and analysis of volunteer personnel process.

**REC 458 International Tourism (3)***fall and spring only*

A global examination of international tourism and its significance as a vehicle for social and economic development. General studies: G.

**REC 465 Issues and Trends in Recreation and Tourism (3)***selected semesters*

In-depth survey of critical issues and trends in recreation and tourism management that shape future directions in the profession. Involves fieldwork.

Prerequisites: Recreation and Tourism Management major or instructor approval.

**REC 473 Tourism Management (3)***selected semesters*

Operations and management of human, financial, environmental, and physical plant resources in travel and tourism enterprises. Prerequisite: REC 305 or instructor approval.

**REC 475 Entrepreneurial Recreation and Tourism (3)***fall only*

Examination of the development, management, and future of for-profit ventures in recreation and tourism.

**REC 484 Senior Internship (1-9)***fall, spring, summer*

Supervised field experience in selected recreation and tourism management enterprises. Prerequisites: Recreation and Tourism Management major; core courses completed except REC 403 which may be taken concurrently; senior standing; 2.0 GPA in major.

**REC 486 Special Events Management (3)***fall only*

Principles of programming and managing special events for diverse populations. Class plans, conducts, and evaluates a community special event. Involves fieldwork.

**REC 487 Special Events Management, Advanced (3)***spring only*

Advanced principles of special event sponsorship, public relations, marketing, contracting, risk management, and financial management. Prerequisite: REC 303 or 486 or instructor approval.

**REC 494 Special Topics (1-4)***fall and spring only*

Topics in recreation, parks and tourism including commercial recreation, special events management, professional development seminar, management issues in leisure studies, issues in clinical therapeutic recreation, and activities and facilities modification in therapeutic recreation.

## Social Work (Undergraduate)

**SWU 271 Introduction to Social Work: Social Problems and Social Justice (3)***fall only*

Descriptive and historical perspectives of social problems, social justice issues and society's response to them. General studies: SB, H.

**SWU 291 Social Service Delivery Systems (3)***spring only*

Introduction to federal and state social service delivery systems as well as private social service agencies. Purpose and structure of community resources will be explored. During the semester, students will be required to complete 40 hours of service learning in a social agency. Prerequisite: SWU 271 or instructor approval.

**SWU 301 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I (3)***fall and spring only*

Introduction to interrelation of bio-psycho-sociocultural systems and their effect on behavior, birth-adolescence, focused on southwestern ethnic and cultural groups. Prerequisites: ENG 101 (or 105); PGS 101; SOC 101 (or 301). Pre or corequisites: SWU 271, 291; course in Human Biology. General studies: L.

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**SWU 310 Social Work Practice I (3)***fall and spring only*

Introduction to social work methods, emphasizing the following skills: relationship development, cross-cultural interviewing, communication patterns, and case-recording. Prerequisites: SWU 271, 291. Pre or corequisite: SWU 301.

**SWU 331 Social Policy and Services I (3)***fall only*

History, philosophy, and values of social welfare; function and role of social welfare in society; development of the social work profession and practice. Prerequisites: ECN 111; POL 110; SWU 271, 291. General studies: H.

**SWU 402 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (3)***spring only*

Sequel completing study of life span development and behavior which forms base for social work practice. Prerequisite: SWU 301. General studies: SB.

**SWU 410 Social Work Practice II (3)***fall only*

Introduction to generalist social work; major areas of knowledge, values and skills basic to the social work helping process focused on individuals and families. Prerequisites: PHI 101; SWU 301, 310; Social Work major. Corequisites: SWU 412, 413.

**SWU 411 Social Work Practice III (3)***spring only*

Applications of theoretical frameworks to social work practice at group and community levels. Prerequisites: SWU 410, 412, 413; Social Work major. Corequisites: SWU 414, 415. Pre or corequisite: SWU 420.

**SWU 412 Field Instruction I (5)***fall only*

Sixteen hours a week of supervised practice in an approved placement. Prerequisite: Social Work major. Corequisites: SWU 410, 413.

**SWU 413 Field Instruction Seminar I (1)***fall only*

Field-focused seminar, including practice evaluation. 1.5 hours a week. Prerequisite: Social Work major. Corequisites: SWU 410, 412.

**SWU 414 Field Instruction II (5)***spring only*

Sixteen hours a week of supervised practice in an approved placement. Prerequisites: SWU 410, 412, 413; Social Work major. Corequisites: SWU 411, 415.

**SWU 415 Field Instruction Seminar II (1)***spring only*

Field-focused seminar, including practice evaluation. 1.5 hours a week. Prerequisites: SWU 410, 412, 413. Corequisites: SWU 411, 414.

**SWU 420 Practice-Oriented Research (3)***fall and spring only*

Application of scientific principles to field practice, problem formulation, intervention procedures, and impact assessment in social work. Prerequisite: SWU 310. Pre or corequisites: an approved course in data analysis techniques or instructor approval.

**SWU 432 Social Policy and Services II (3)***spring only*

Contemporary social, political, and economic issues. Special emphasis on poverty and inequality in the Southwest. Analysis and development of social welfare policies and programs. Prerequisite: SWU 331.

**SWU 474 Ethnic/Cultural Variables in Social Work (3)***fall and spring only*

A basic conceptual approach to understanding ethnic/cultural variables of southwestern ethnic minorities and how these factors influence social work practice. General studies: C.

**SWU 494 Special Topics (1-4)***fall and spring only*

Topics in Social Work related to in-depth theory and practice in a specific social work area, including child welfare, gerontology, domestic violence, mental health, disability, culturally-sensitive practice, family intervention, advocacy, crime and delinquency, school-based practice, and others.

**Social Work (Graduate)****SWG 503 Development of Families in Oppressive Context (3)***fall only*

This course addresses the development of health, families and children. We examine essential tasks of human development and theories that inform practice. Prerequisite: admission to MSW program or instructor approval.

**SWG 504 Theories of Human Behavior (3)***spring only*

Course addresses development of healthy adults and human behavior in groups, organizations, and communities. Prerequisite: SWG 503

**SWG 512 Values and Ethics of Social Work Practice I (3)***fall only*

Develops a basic understanding of diverse ethical systems and their application to a broad range of human problems in various social and cultural contexts. Prerequisite: admission to MSW program or instructor approval.



**SWG 513 Advanced Social Work Generalist Practice II (3)***spring only*

Building on SWG 512, this course assists students in continuing to develop and apply a generalist framework of social work practice. Prerequisite: SWG 512 or instructor approval.

**SWG 520 Research and Advocacy (3)***spring only*

Develops knowledge and skills needed to utilize and engage in social research related to advocacy issues and the evaluation of social work practice. Prerequisites: undergraduate statistics course; admission to MSW program or instructor approval.

**SWG 532 Policy and Social Change (3)***fall only*

An overview of the history, development, pertinent concepts, skills and definitions associated with social welfare problems and policies. Prerequisite: admission to MSW program or instructor approval.

**SWG 534 Diversity and Underserved Populations (3)***fall only*

Examines issues of privilege and oppression, including their impact on the social work process, with the goal of developing a culturally competent master's level social worker. Prerequisite: admission to MSW program or instructor approval.

**SWG 540 The Professional Experience I (3)***fall only*

Engages the students in 150 clock hours of supervised social work practice and provides opportunities to apply classroom learning in the field setting. Prerequisite: admission to MSW program or instructor approval. Corequisite: SWG 512.

**SWG 543 The Professional Experience II (5)***spring only*

Engages the students in 250 hours of supervised social work practice and provides opportunities to apply classroom learning in the field setting. Prerequisite: SWG 512.

**SWG 598 Special Topics (1-4)***fall and spring only*

Topics in Social Work related to in-depth theory and practice in a specific social work area, including child welfare, gerontology, domestic violence, mental health, disability, culturally-sensitive practice, family intervention, advocacy, crime and delinquency, school-based practice, and others. Prerequisite: admission to MSW program or instructor approval.

**SWG 600 Foundation for Advanced Practice (3)***summer only*

Course will prepare student for advanced generalist study and practice through an exploration of social work research and theory. Prerequisites: admission into advanced standing; undergraduate statistics course.

**SWG 607 Social Work Perspective in Alcohol and Drug Addiction (3)***fall only*

This course engages students in analyzing the social impact of alcohol and drugs and prepares them to team with drug and alcohol counselors. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 610 Advanced Social Work Practice III (3)***fall only*

This course assists students in advanced theoretical understanding and practice with families, groups, and communities. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 615 Effective Intervention with Children and Adolescents (3)***spring only*

Provides a framework of knowledge, theories, and skills for effective social work practice with vulnerable children and adolescents. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 625 Violence Across the Life Cycle (3)***spring only*

Course examines contributions of various theories and empirical studies in understanding personal and societal consequences of violence. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 626 Crisis Intervention and Short-Term Treatment (3)***spring and summer only*

A comprehensive analysis of crisis and solution-focused brief intervention strategies and approaches used in advanced social work practice. Prerequisite: SWG 610 or instructor approval.

**SWG 631 Advanced Policy Analysis (3)***fall only*

Course supports Advanced Generalist practice with emphasis on policy analysis and philosophy and politics of resource allocation and social welfare. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

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**SWG 635 Advanced Policy –  
Children, Youth, and Families (3)***selected semesters*

Provides knowledge base for analysis, implementation and advocacy of social policies and services for children, youth, and families. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 637 Aging and Social Policy (3)***selected semesters*

This course deals with policy and planning issues that are specific to the older adult populations in the United States. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 645 The Professional Experience III (5)***fall and summer only*

Engages the students in 250 hours of supervised social work practice and provides opportunities to apply classroom learning in the field setting. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval. Corequisite: SWG 513.

**SWG 646 The Professional Experience IV (5)***fall and spring only*

Engages the students in 250 hours of supervised social work practice and provides opportunities to apply classroom learning in the field setting. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval. Pre or corequisite: SWG 610.

**SWG 650 Grief and Loss (3)***spring only*

Addresses theory, research and interventions related to grief and loss, using the human life span as its organizing framework. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 651 Theories of Aging (3)***spring only*

This course is a review and critique of theories that influence research, policy and social work practice with older adults. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 652 Human Services for At-Risk Youths (3)***spring only*

This course emphasizes interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approaches to addressing the problems that face youth today. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 653 Theory and Practice  
of Family Therapy (3)***summer only*

Provides advanced theoretical knowledge and family treatment models for the practice of social work with families. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 655 Issues in Prevention (3)***spring only*

This course focuses on knowledge and skills in prevention of a multiplicity of problems and the promotion of healthy living. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**SWG 697 Special Topics in Working  
with Diverse Groups (3)***fall and spring only*

These courses will: provide practice strategies for clients of specific marginalized groups; address access to resources; and describe the larger political context and policy issues that impact the particular group. Prerequisite: completion of foundation courses or advanced standing or instructor approval.

**Omnibus courses:** See pages 55-56 for omnibus courses that may be offered.