

James Madison University Advising Guide

BRCC Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree, College/University Transfer and JMU Advising Guide for a major in Social Work.

First Year

First Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HIS _____	History Elective (101, 102, 111, 112, 121 or 122)	3
ITE _____	120, 152 or CSC 110	3
MTH 155	Statistical Reasoning	3
PLS 135	American National Politics	3
SDV _____	Student Development	1

Second Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS _____	History Elective (see above)	3
_____	Approved Elective	3
CST 100 or 110	Principles of Public Speaking or Intro. to Speech Communication	3
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	3

Second Year

Third Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
ENG _____	Literature Elective	3
SOC 268	Social Problems	3
BIO 101	General Biology I (see notes)	4
_____	Approved Elective	3
PSY 230	Developmental Psychology	3

Fourth Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
_____	Literature/Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
SOC 266	Race and Ethnicity	3
_____	Approved Elective	3
_____	Approved Elective	4

Total Credits Required for Associate in Arts and Sciences Degree/JMU Social Work requirements - 60

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Advising Notes for Social Work

- PLS 135, PSY 200 and 230, and SOC 266 and 268 are prerequisites for some social work major courses.
- BIO 101 is recommended for students interested in pursuing a Master of Social Work degree.
- Unconditional admission to the major is given to students with a cumulative GPA or 2.0, no single grade lower than a C in SOWK 287 and 288, and completion of the 20 hours of community service required in SOWK 287.
- Community service (20 hours) must be completed while enrolled in SOWK 287. Beyond that, students will be expected to complete an additional 50 hours of service for the major. Service completed before transferring to JMU will not be counted, however commitment to and consistency of service reflects well on the student so it is still valuable.