



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 17, 2010

Dean Edwina Uehara
School of Social Work
Box 354900

Dear Edwina:

Based on the recommendation of its Subcommittee on Admissions and Programs, the Faculty Council on Academic Standards has recommended approval of the revised admission and program requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Welfare. A copy of the changes is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the School of Social Work is authorized to specify these requirements beginning winter quarter 2011.

The new requirements should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Phyllis".

Phyllis M. Wise
Interim President

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Gary Olson (with enclosure)
Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)
Dr. Deborah H. Wiegand (with enclosure)
Ms. Virjean Edwards. (with enclosure SOCWF-20101030)



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CREATING AND CHANGING UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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College/Campus Seattle**Department/Unit** School of Social Work**Date** 10/30/10**New Programs**

- ☐ Leading to a Bachelor of _____ in _____ degree.
- ☐ Leading to a Bachelor of _____ degree with a major in _____.
- ☐ Leading to a _____ Option within the existing major in _____.
- ☐ Leading to a minor in _____.

Changes to Existing Programs

- ☐ New Admission Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____.
- ☒ Revised Admission Requirements for the Major in Social Work ~~within the~~ Bachelor of Arts in Social Welfare.
- ☒ Revised Program Requirements for the Major in Social Work ~~within the~~ Bachelor of Arts in Social Welfare.
- ☐ Revised Requirements for the Option in _____ within the major in _____.
- ☐ Revised Requirements for the Minor in _____.

Other Changes

- ☐ Change name of program from _____ to _____.
- ☐ New or Revised Continuation Policy for _____.
- ☐ Eliminate program in _____.

Proposed Effective Date: **Quarter:** ☐ Autumn ☒ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer **Year: 20 11**

Contact Person: Gary Olson**Phone:** 6-5830**Email:** garyo@uw.edu**Box:** 354900**EXPLANATION OF AND RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED CHANGE**

For new program, please include any relevant supporting documentation such as student learning outcomes, projected enrollments, letters of support and departmental handouts. (Use additional pages if necessary).

We have made several program revisions to improve the timing of offerings and to enhance content in the senior year.

1. Admissions requirement change: While we have retained our general requirement of a course with content in human biology, per our accreditation standards, we have expanded the list of acceptable courses to include genetics, psychobiology of women, and the psychobiological bases of behavior.

2. Graduation requirements changes: Effective 2010-11, we have dropped one quarter (2 credits) of Community Service Learning and the second quarter of a sequence in human behavior, SOC WF 403 (5 credits; some content will be incorporated in the first-quarter class, SOC WF 402). The reductions in required credits allow us to increase credits in the senior year.

Enhancements (all in senior year): A new course in Evidenced-based Practice (SOC WF 410, 3 credits); a one-credit Capstone Portfolio Project; and a one-credit Skills Lab.

3. Changes in Timing/Sequencing: We have moved the three-quarter Practice sequence to the junior year, fall-winter-spring, so that students have completed all practice coursework before they begin Field Practicum in fall of the senior year.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED

List all departments/units/ or co-accredited programs affected by your new program or changes to your existing program and acquire the signature of the chair/director of each department/unit listed. Attach additional page(s) if necessary. *See online instructions.

Department/Unit:	Chair/Program Director:	Date:
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CATALOG COPY

Catalog Copy as currently written. Include only sections/paragraphs that would be changed if your request is approved. Please cross out or otherwise highlight any deletions.

SEE ATTACHED

PROPOSED CATALOG COPY

Reflecting requested changes (Include exact wording as you wish it to be shown in the printed catalog. Please underline or otherwise highlight any additions. If needed, attach a separate, expanded version of the changes that might appear in department publications).
Please note: all copy will be edited to reflect uniform style in the General Catalog.

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APPROVALS

Chair/Program Director:

Date:

11/2/10

College/School/Campus Curriculum Committee:

Date:

11/2/10

Dean/Vice Chancellor:

Date:

11/5/10

Faculty Council on Academic Standards/ General Faculty Organization/Faculty Assembly Chair:

Date:

12/10/2010

POST TRI-CAMPUS APPROVAL (when needed)

Faculty Council on Academic Standards/ General Faculty Organization/Faculty Assembly Chair:

Date:

CURRENT CATALOG COPY

The program includes upper-division courses in social welfare, with prerequisites in human biology, economics, psychology, statistics, and sociology. Students enter at the start of their junior year after completing most of the liberal arts requirements established by the College of Arts and Sciences. Social welfare courses include content on social welfare history, policy and services, human behavior and the social environment, social welfare research, and cultural diversity. These academic courses prepare students for the senior year three-quarter practicum experience, which involves a total of 480 hours of direct social services under the supervision of a practicum instructor approved by the School.

Bachelor of Arts Program

Suggested First- and Second-Year College Courses:

SOC WF 101, SOC WF 200; SOC WF 201; PSYCH 101; SOC 110; BIOL 100 or BIOL 118; ECON 200 or ECON 201; also courses in American ethnic studies, sociology, psychology, and women studies.

Department Admission Requirements

Approximately 40 juniors are admitted each year. Admission, which is for autumn quarter only, is competitive and completion of the requirements listed below does not guarantee acceptance. May 1 is the application deadline. To be considered for admission, applicants must meet the following criteria by the time of application:

1. Completion of a minimum of 65 credits.
2. Completion of the following courses: PSYCH 101 (or PSYCH 102); introductory sociology; ECON 100, ECON 200, or ECON 201; and BIOL 100 or BIOL 118, with a minimum grade of 2.0 in each course.
3. A minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.
4. Have some paid or volunteer social service experience.
5. Applicants must submit a completed application, admission essay, résumé, and provide copies of their college transcripts.

Application forms and a detailed description of the social welfare major are available at the School's admissions office, 23C Social Work/Speech and Hearing Sciences (SWS), or are mailed upon request, 206-543-5676. A student may discuss the program in person by contacting the Director of Admissions, 206-543-5676, sswadmis@uw.edu. Students accepted to the major complete a change-of-college form and transfer their academic file to the School's Student Services Office. Students not accepted may contact the Director of Admissions to discuss alternatives to the social welfare major, or the appeal process.

Major Requirements

63 credits as follows:

1. Junior year (34 credits) -- SOC WF 200 (5); SOC WF 310 (3); SOC WF 315 (2, 2, 2); SOC WF 320 (5); SOC WF 402 (5); SOC WF 403 (5); and SOC WF 404 (5).
2. Senior year (29 credits) -- SOC WF 311 (3); SOC WF 312 (3); SOC WF 390 (5); SOC WF 405 (3); SOC WF 415 (12); SOC WF 445 (3).

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1. Completion of a minimum of 65 credits.
2. Five prerequisite courses, four of which must be completed prior to beginning the program in the fall (minimum grade of 2.0 required in each): PSYCH 101 (or PSYCH 102); introductory sociology; ECON 100, ECON 200, or ECON 201; and one of the following courses in human biology: BIOL 100, BIOL 118, PSYCH 202, PSYCH 357, GENOME 261, or GENOME 351; STAT 220 (Note: STAT 220 may be taken as late as the Spring quarter of the junior year, but is a required prerequisite of the senior year courses and is recommended prior to admission).

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Note: Statistics 220 must be completed before the second year of the program.

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1. SOC WF 200; SOC WF 310; SOC W 311; SOC W 312; SOC WF 315; SOC WF 320; SOC WF 390; SOC WF 402; SOC WF 404; SOC WF 405; SOC WF 410; SOC WF 415; Practice Selective; Capstone Project; and Skills Lab.