

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) | Major Map



POPULAR CAREERS

- School social work
- Substance abuse treatment
- Wraparound programs
- Medical social work
- Child Protective Services (CPS)
- Supportive housing
- Community organizing & activism
- Policy analysis

POPULAR EMPLOYERS

- Hospitals, health care organizations, school districts, colleges & universities, government agencies, nonprofit organizations and private practices

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- **Field Practicum Opportunities**
 - Community mental health
 - Domestic violence shelters
 - Substance abuse programs
 - Medical social work programs
 - Policy advocacy
 - Child Protective Services (CPS)
 - Group home/residential settings
- **Study Away**
 - Lutheran College Washington Semester (LCWS) in Washington, D.C.
 - AU Faculty-Led: Norway, focusing on international social work



WHY MAJOR IN SOCIAL WORK?

Social work encompasses enhancing the resiliency of people and communities; connecting people and communities with systems that provide resources, services and opportunities; and promoting inclusion, diversity, equity, anti-racism and belonging. Augustana's social work curriculum utilizes a well-integrated program of liberal arts content, social work-specific courses and a professionally-guided field practicum. The mission of the Harriet Emily Scott Social Work Program is to ensure that students have the knowledge, values, skills and cognitive affective processes necessary for generalist social work practice with a focus on belonging, mastery, generosity and independence — emphasizing the promotion of a positive social environment for client well-being. Therefore, social work students have a wide range of skills for an array of jobs.

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FIRST YEAR

MIDDLE YEAR(S)

LAST YEAR

EXCEL ACADEMICALLY

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review SOPHIA and program requirements with your academic advisor.• Review your degree audit report, and create a plan of study in Academic Planner.• Enroll in SOWK 110.• Participate in FYS 112 to confirm your major, hear from upper-level students about signature experiences and chart a personalized plan for your engagement.• Choose or confirm your major(s) or minor(s). | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore minors or elective credits that interest you.• Contact the Student Success Center to declare any second majors or minors. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Apply to graduate no later than Oct. 1.• Review the degree audit provided by the Registrar's Office. |
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ENGAGE & APPLY YOUR LEARNING

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Access your Viking Central account.• Participate in campus clubs and organizations such as Serving and Learning Together (SALT), Lost & Found, Gender & Sexuality Alliance (GSA), Augie Green, Augie Feminist Equality Movement (FEM) or Phi Alpha Honor Society.• Explore study-away opportunities at the study-away fairs.• Create an account in Augie Opportunities. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend the Sophomore Retreat.• Engage in job shadowing, campus leadership, internships, service and relevant summer employment.• Connect with employers offering internships at the BIG (Business, Industry, Government) Career Fair.• Participate in the alumni mentor program.• Consider elite scholarship opportunities, such as the Fulbright, Rhodes or Truman.• Earn the Diversity Advocate Certificate.• Apply for Knight Internship Funds and ASA transportation funds. Pursue elite fellowships. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take standardized exams (e.g., GRE), and share your application to graduate or professional schools with your advisor and CAP specialist for feedback.• Continue to connect with alumni.• Participate in mock interviews and networking events.• Complete the career outcome survey to update us of your employment or enrollment in graduate school.• Join the Augustana alumni community. |
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CHART YOUR COURSE TODAY!

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