



**HOUSTON CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY DEGREE PLAN
BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK (BSW) – SOCIAL WORK
CATALOG YEAR: 2024-2025**

NAME: _____ H#: _____ DATE: _____

Candidates for a single major undergraduate baccalaureate degree must complete a total of at least 120 credit hours along with the following requirements:

- No fewer than 30 semester hours of upper-level (3000 or 4000) courses.
- No more than 6 credit hours in Kinesiology activity courses or other student activity hours will count towards the 120-credit hour requirement.
- Complete the Liberal Arts Core Requirements
- Complete a minimum of 30 hours or 25% of the required hours, whichever is greater, of residency at HCU including at least 12 upper-level hours in the major.
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 with no grade below “C” in courses required for the major.
- If completing a MINOR, at least 9 upper-level hours of residency at HCU included in the minor with a grade of “C” or higher in all courses.

Once admitted and enrolled at HCU, each student MUST:

- Receive prior approval for any courses taken at another institution (up to 18 total credit hours only).
- File a degree plan with the Office of Academic Records before 60 credit hours have been completed.
- File an application to graduate at least one (1) semester before anticipated date of graduation.

LIBERAL ARTS CORE REQUIREMENTS: *Course must be completed with a “C” or higher

COURSES	HOURS	COURSES	HOURS
*ENGL 1313 Composition & Literature I	3	*MATH 1305 Math for Critical Thinking (or higher)	3
*ENGL 1323 Composition & Literature II	3	GOVT 2313 American & Texas Government	3
ENGL 2315 or 2325 Great Works of Literature I or II	3	HIST 2311 Western Civilization I	3
PSYC 1313 General Psychology	3	Additional History course (choose 1): HIST 2312, HIST 2313, or HIST 2323	3
PHIL 1313 Introduction to Philosophy	3	ART 2343 Art Appreciation or MUSI 1331 Music Appreciation	3
BIOL XXXX (any 4-hour Biology course with lab)	4	COMM 1323 Rhetoric & Public Speaking	3
CHRI 1301 Introduction to the Bible	3		
CHRI 2373 Christian Theology & Tradition	3		
		TOTAL HOURS IN LIBERAL ARTS CORE	43

Students transferring to Houston Christian University with 45 or more hours of transferable college credit are only required to take CHRI 3300, Introduction to Bible and Theology, to meet their Liberal Arts Core Curriculum Christianity requirements.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: All courses within major must be completed with a “C” or higher

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE NAME	HOURS
SOCW 2303	Introduction to Social Work	3
SOCI 2301	Introduction to Statistics	3
SOCW 2325	Social Challenges	3
SOCW 3304	Human Behavior & The Social Environment I	3
SOCW 3305	Human Behavior & The Social Environment II	3
SOCW 3306	Social Welfare History & Policy	3
SOCW 4311	Social Work Practice with Individuals & Families	3
SOCW 4312	Social Work Practice with Groups	3
SOCW 4313	Social Work Practice with Communities & Organizations	3
SOCI 3303	Research Methods	3
SOCW 4410	Social Work Internship I	4
SOCW 4411	Social Work Internship II	4
	Social Work Core Total	38
	Choose 9 hours (3 elective courses) from below. At least 6 hours (2 elective courses) must be upper level.	
	CHRI 3325 The Christian Vocation CHRI 3336 Christian Leadership CHRI 4345 Christian Ethics PSYC 2302 Introduction to Christian Counseling PSYC 2323 Crisis Intervention PSYC 2325 Dating & Intimate Relationships PSYC 2330 Human Sexuality PSYC 3317 Suicide PSYC 3332 Life Transitions PSYC 4316 Child Psychopathology PSYC 4326 Death & Dying PSYC 4329 Contemporary Issues in Christian Counseling SOCI 3320 Social Change SOCI 3327 Criminology SOCI 3393 Childhood & Adolescence SOCI 4373 The American Family	9
	Total Hours in Major	47
	Elective Hours Required	30
	TOTAL HOURS IN DEGREE	120

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Community Life and Worship (CLW) points: 80 credits required for graduation (at least 50 points must be CLW-A earned through worship events, up to 30 points may be CLW-B earned through community life events).
- FYS 1300 Freshman Year Seminar is required for all students enrolling at HCU with fewer than thirty (30) completed semester hours. College credit earned prior to high school graduation does not count toward the 30-hour requirement. Students enrolled in 100% online degree programs will take a three-hour course, ONLN 1300 Introduction to Online Learning, in place of FYS 1300.

BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL REQUIREMENTS ON THE DEGREE PLAN. THIS DEGREE PLAN IS NOT VALID UNTIL RECEIVED & PROCESSED BY THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC RECORDS.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

DEAN OF COLLEGE _____ DATE _____

ACADEMIC ADVISOR _____ DATE _____

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