

SOCIAL WORK

Admission to Program

Admission to the program is explained in the HCT Admission Policy described in the Academic Policies section of this Catalog. In addition, students will be admitted to the Social Work Program through an interview and selection process.

Program Mission

The social work program prepares Emirati nationals for professional social work and child protection employment that promotes social justice in both local and global contexts.

Program Description

Successful completion of the four-year, social work program will provide graduates with the knowledge, skills and competencies to work with individuals, families, groups and communities to solve problems and enhance social functioning. Graduates will be able to work in a variety of health and human service settings, and apply varied intervention methods to address problems such as child abuse, old age, disabilities, family and child relationships, family violence, mental illness and crisis management.

Students are eligible for a one year Work Experiential Learning experience during their study.

Program Goals

1. Equip social work students with the knowledge, values, and skills to create competent professionals who can engage, assess, intervene, and evaluate the outcome of generalist practice in the UAE.
2. Prepare Social Work graduates to respond to the changing social needs and demands in the UAE by diversifying Social Work Education and including evidence-based practice and research.
3. Prepare social work students with critical thinking skills to adopt ethical and professional behavior in their research and practice.
4. Prepare students to engage in diverse practice & advocacy for inclusion, diversity, human rights and social, economic, and environmental justice in accordance with international conventions and the UAE laws.

Program Learning Outcomes

Bachelor of Social Work (NQF Level 7)

Upon successful completion of this program the graduate will be able to:

PLO 1 : Apply the values, skills and knowledge from social work and related fields to provide quality health and human services in clinical and non-clinical settings

PLO 2: Demonstrate effective generalist social work practice through the critical analysis of social policy, professional knowledge, and practice

PLO 3: Utilize evidence-based practice and research for social work practice with individuals, families, groups and communities to improve outcomes for clients

PLO 4: Demonstrate independent learning achievement through effective cognitive, technical, analytical, and communication skills in clinical and non-clinical settings to provide high standard and quality services.

PLO 5: Demonstrate professional competencies and attributes in technical leadership and supervision as well as working collaboratively within a multidisciplinary team in a diverse range of practice settings (Technical Leader)

PLO 6: Demonstrate entrepreneurship and innovation skills to contribute and manage practice challenges within local and global contexts respecting socio-cultural and relationships (Graduating Companies)

PLO 7: Demonstrate the ability of exhibiting independent learning skills through self-evaluation and undertaking responsibility for initiating and facilitating professional development using ethical standards of practice within culturally diverse, complex and unfamiliar settings.

Requirements

Completion Requirements

Bachelor of Social Work

Students must successfully complete a minimum of 122 credits as follows:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Social Work Core Courses		72
Field Education Courses		14
General Studies		33
General Health Sciences		3
Total Credit Hours		122

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Social Work Core Courses		
Required Credits: 75		
HSC 2203	Psychology	3
HSW 1003	Introduction to Social Work	3
HSW 1023	Basic Counselling Skills	3
HSW 1033	Social Diversity and Justice	3
HSW 1223	Social Work Practice I	3
HSW 1233	Social Work and Child Protection in the UAE	3
HSW 1313	Human Behavior in the Social Environment I - Children and Adolescents	3
HSW 2013	Vulnerable Populations: Children and Families	3
HSW 2033	Laws and Ethics in Social Work in the UAE	3
HSW 2133	Social Work with Families	3
HSW 2143	Social Work Practice II	3
HSW 2323	Vulnerable Populations: Persons with Disabilities	3
HSW 3013	Social Work Practice III	3
HSW 3023	Human Behavior in the Social Environment II	3
HSW 3033	Advanced Group Work	3
HSW 3103	Social Work with Groups	3
HSW 3223	Social Work Action and Advocacy	3
HSW 4013	Research Methodologies for Social Work	3
HSW 4033	Social Policy and Social Development	3
HSW 4216	Capstone Research Project	6
HSW 4223	Social Work Management and Leadership	3
HSW 4233	International Social Work	3

HSW 4243	Psychological Health and Issues	3
HSW 4303	Social Work with Communities	3

Social Work and Child Protection Field Education Courses

Required Credits: 14

HSW 2324	Child Protection Field Education	4
HSW 3943	Social Work Field Education II	3
HSW 4927	Social Work Field Education III	7

General Studies

Required Credits: 33

English, Arabic or other Languages

Required Credits: 12

Humanities or Art

Required Credits: 3

Information Technology or Mathematics

Required Credits: 6

The Natural Sciences

Required Credits: 3

The Social or Behavioral Sciences

Required Credits: 9

Description	Data
Total Required Credits	122
Maximum Duration of Study	6 years
Minimum Duration of Study	4 years
Cost Recovery Program	No
Program Code	BHSWU
Major Code	HSW

Ideal Study Plan

Recommended Sequence of Study

Year 1		Credit Hours
Semester 1		
HSW 1003	Introduction to Social Work	3
HSW 1023	Basic Counselling Skills	3
HSW 1033	Social Diversity and Justice	3
LSC 1103	Professional Written Communication	3
LSS 1003	Life and Future Skills	3
Credit Hours		15
Semester 2		
AES 1013	Arabic Communications	3
HSC 1233	Human Growth and Development	3
HSW 1223	Social Work Practice I	3
HSW 1233	Social Work and Child Protection in the UAE	3
HSW 1313	Human Behavior in the Social Environment I - Children and Adolescents	3
Credit Hours		15
Year 2		
Semester 3		
HSC 2203	Psychology	3
HSW 2013	Vulnerable Populations: Children and Families	3
HSW 2033	Laws and Ethics in Social Work in the UAE	3
HSW 2133	Social Work with Families	3
LSS 1123	Basic Research Methods	3
Credit Hours		15

Semester 4		
AES 1003	Emirati Studies	3
AES 1033	Islamic Culture	3
HSW 2143	Social Work Practice II	3
HSW 2323	Vulnerable Populations: Persons with Disabilities	3
Credit Hours		12

Summer		
HSW 2324	Child Protection Field Education	4
Credit Hours		4

Year 3		
Semester 5		
HSW 3013	Social Work Practice III	3
HSW 3023	Human Behavior in the Social Environment II	3
HSW 3103	Social Work with Groups	3
ICT 2013	Computational Thinking and Coding	3
LSM 1113	Statistical Mathematics	3
Credit Hours		15

Semester 6		
BUS 2403	Innovation and Entrepreneurship	3
HSW 3033	Advanced Group Work	3
HSW 3223	Social Work Action and Advocacy	3
HSW 4303	Social Work with Communities	3
LSC 2223		3
Credit Hours		15

Summer		
HSW 3943	Social Work Field Education II	3
Credit Hours		3

Year 4		
Semester 7		
HSW 4013	Research Methodologies for Social Work	3
HSW 4033	Social Policy and Social Development	3
HSW 4223	Social Work Management and Leadership	3
HSW 4233	International Social Work	3
HSW 4243	Psychological Health and Issues	3
Credit Hours		15

Semester 8		
HSW 4216	Capstone Research Project	6
HSW 4927	Social Work Field Education III	7
Credit Hours		13
Total Credit Hours		122

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