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Social Work

WHERE IT CAN TAKE YOU

Sample Work Settings
Here is a sample of work settings (or work environments) that might interest someone with this educational background.

- School Systems
- Hospitals
- Rehabilitation Centers
- Home Healthcare Agencies
- Nursing Care Facilities
- Welfare Organizations
- Residential Health Facilities
- Health Education Departments
- Community Clinics
- Youth Centers
- Non Profits

Sample Salary Information
Salary information below represents median trends for sample job titles, candidate background, or other factors involved in salary negotiations. For more complete information, check out the O*Net and national interviews with professionals in the field.

- Child, Family, & Social Worker: $41,530
- Mental Health Counselor: $40,080
- Mental Health & Substance Abuse Social Worker: $39,980
- Police Patrol Officer: $55,270
- Social and Human Service Assistants: $28,850

*additional education may be required

HOW TO GET THERE

Try on this major
There are several courses within the department that any UNCG student can take as a way to "try on" the major and determine if it’s a good fit for you. Talk with your advisor about taking one or more of these courses during your first year:

SWK 215: Introduction to Social Work

When to take coursework
Students pursuing this degree are required to take several different General Education Core courses during their freshman and sophomore years. To ensure that you stay on track to graduate, talk with your advisor about registering for the following courses:

- SWK 215—fall semester freshman year
- PSY 121—spring semester freshman year
- STA 108—fall semester sophomore year
- SOC 101—fall semester sophomore year

Campus Organizations & Clubs and Professional Associations
- Phi Alpha Honorary
- Joint Master of Social Work Student Organization
- Social Work Student Organization
- National Association of Social Workers
- American Counseling Association

Special Interest Housing
Special interest housing communities are residential-based programs designed to enhance the overall undergraduate student experience by fostering one-on-one relationships between faculty, staff, and students in a close knit residence hall environment. Students are encouraged to explore intellectual, cultural, and social interests through experiential activities often linked to the academic curriculum. Students learn with friends, while gaining real-world experience all where they live. Special interest housing options include:

- Lloyd International Honors College
- Living-Learning Communities

Past Internship Sites
Note: this is a partial listing of where students have interned in the past. Internships are not guaranteed; work with your academic program and the Career Services Center to strategize your plans for an internship to compliment your studies.

- Make-a-Wish
- AmeriCorps
- Advanced Home Care
- KB’s Mission for Hope
- YMCA
- Urban Ministries

Sample Graduate Programs
Students graduating from this undergraduate program also look at continuing their education in these sample programs:

- Clinical Counseling
- Marriage & Family Counseling
- Social Work
- Medical School

GPA & Other Requirements
Once you declare a major and select your academic concentration, you want to be sure you are aware of the various GPA and program requirements. Knowing these in advance will help you stay on track each semester and in planning out your long-term goals.

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<td>2.5 Cumulative GPA after earning 51+ semester hours</td>
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Sample Minors/Double-Majors
Often, UNCG students may be interested in pursuing a second major or a minor to complement their major. If this is of interest to you, be sure to discuss it with your advisor early on. Some possible minors or majors to consider include:

- Sociology
- Psychology