

Next Steps

Freshman Highlights



- Begin working on General Education requirements that also fulfill course requirements for the major
- Classes to try: SOC 101; HDF 212
- Schedule time to meet with an academic advisor in the Students First Office to develop a 4-year plan
- Apply to participate in special interest housing
- Sign up early for tutoring and Supplemental Instruction through Student Success Center
- Log into SpartanCareers to view jobs and start your career
- Check out undergraduate research opportunities
- Review the ExploreIt! Shadow Program

Sophomore Highlights



- Classes to take: SWK 215
- If you have already completed all pre-major requirements, apply for the upper division SWK. Check the department website for updated information on deadlines.
- Meet with your faculty advisor to ensure you are on track in completing your GEC requirements
- Visit Students First Office to estimate your GPA and re-view your degree evaluation
- Take advantage of Study Abroad
- Visit Career Services Center to talk with a Peer Career Ambassador - time to get your major confirmed and resume started
- Begin to develop your professional network

Junior Highlights



- Register for SWK courses
- Discover leadership opportunities through clubs and organizations
- Check out opportunities—Office of Leadership & Service Learning
- Visit Career Services Center to complete your resume, practice interviewing, learn about graduate school, and/or prepare your internship search action plan
- Attend Career Fairs and Employer Information Sessions
- Continue to build your professional network by speaking with faculty, employers, and alumni
- Complete a Course Overload Form in Student First Office if you need to register for more than 18 hours

Senior Year Highlights



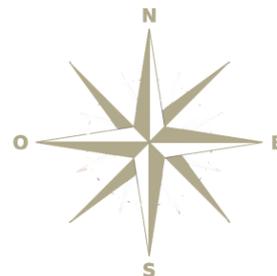
- Meet with your faculty advisor to finalize your plans
- Apply for graduation via University Registrar - watch out for **deadlines**
- Take the "Senior Check Up" to see what skills or experiences you should make use of at Career Services
- Start applying to jobs and graduate programs
- Register for graduate or professional study exams as needed
- Attend Career Fairs
- Network, network, network

Department of Social Work

<http://www.uncg.edu/swk>

Career Services Center

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B.S.W. in Social Work



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Chart your course



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WHERE IT CAN TAKE YOU

Sample Work Functions

Those who study Social Work generally direct their skills, experience, and knowledge towards the following career functional areas:

- Adoption Work
- Career Counselor
- Case Worker
- Community Planner
- Lobbyist
- Peace Corps
- Police Officer
- School Social Worker

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 functions below and may not account for variables including geography, candidate background, or other factors involved in salary negotiation. For more complete information, check out the O*Net and the Occupational Outlook Handbook in addition to conducting informational 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

Organizations Where Our HDSF Alumni Have Gone

- Burlington Housing Authority
- UNC Hospitals
- Haven House Services
- Thomasville Medical Center
- UNCG
- Guilford County Department of Public Health

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
- Residential Colleges
- Themed 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.

Concentration	GPA & Program Requirements	Application Procedures
Social Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.5 Cumulative GPA after earning 51+ semester hours • Completion of SWK 215 with minimum grade of C • Submit application packet 	<p>Complete application and return to the Social Work department in 268 Stone Building by December 1st or May 1st</p> <p>Students will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application • Two letters of reference • Resume • Social Work Degree Evaluation from UNCGenie

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