

**Fort Hays State University Social Work
Garden City Cohort Schedule
August 2018 – May 2021**

Semester I (Fall 2018)

SOCW 260 Introduction to Social Work (Online)
SOCW 320 HBSE I (Online)
SOCW 380 Foundations of Practice

Semester II (Spring 2019)

SOCW 381 The Helping Relationship
SOC 362 Methods of Social Research (Online)
SOCW 322 HBSE II (Online)

Semester III (Fall 2019)

SOCW 420 HBSE III (Online)
SOCW 461 Child and Family Systems
IDS 300 Econ Ideas (Online)

Semester IV (Spring 2020)

SOCW 382 Group, Org. and Community Systems
ENG 603 Technical and Professional Writing (Online)
SOCW 310 Policy I (Online)

Semester V (Fall 2020)

SOCW 463 Practicum Preparation
SOCW 410 Policy II (Online)
IDS 350 Diversity in the US (Online)

Semester VI (Spring 2021)

SOCW 467 Professional Seminar
SOCW 468 Field Practicum – 32 hours a week average for 16 weeks or 500 hours

*****Two Social Work Electives** are also required. The electives can be taken during any semester, including summer and are available online.

For those persons unable to commute or relocate to the Hays Campus, the Baccalaureate Cohort Program at the Campus of Garden City Community College offers a viable alternative. Classes are held one evening a week for three hours. For more information, please contact the Department of Social Work at socialwork@fhsu.edu or 785-628-4755.

The Social Work Curriculum

Students must either complete the FHSU general education program or meet the terms of the transfer and articulation agreement in order to be eligible for the Baccalaureate of Social Work (BSW) degree. Transfer students must earn a minimum of 60 credit hours from FHSU to earn a degree from FHSU.

Required Non-Social Work Courses (30 credit hours):

Human Biology & Lab (4)	Economic Ideas & Current Issues (3)
Diversity in the U.S. (3)	General Psychology (3)
Introduction to Sociology (3)	Elements of Statistics (3)
Technical & Prof. Writing (3)	Beginning Spanish I (5)
General Logic (3)	OR Introduction to Philosophy (3)

Social Work Core Courses (57 credit hours):

Introduction to Social Work (3)	Foundations of Practice (3)
The Helping Relationship (3)	Org., Community & Group Systems (3)
HBSE I (3)	HBSE II (3)
HBSE III (3)	Child and Family Systems (3)
Social Welfare Policy I (3)	Social Welfare Policy II (3)
Methods of Social Research (3)	Social Work Elective (3)
Social Work Elective (3)	Practicum Preparation (3)
Field Practicum (9)	Social Work Professional Seminar (3)

The Field Practicum Experience

An important part of graduation requirements for the Bachelor in Social Work is the 500 hour field experience. This is a good opportunity to discover the type of social work you wish to practice upon graduation and to find the type of agency or organization you think will be a good fit with your career goals. The Social Work Program has developed strong partnerships and long-standing relationships with state, local and private agencies throughout Kansas and beyond to find the perfect field experience for you.

Unlike many undergraduate programs, FHSU offers a block placement for your field experience. Rather than a concurrent practicum that lasts an entire academic year while you're still taking classes, you will complete your coursework prior to the field experience. You'll spend 32 hours a week for an entire semester in your placement to give you a better sense of the "real world" work environment and a better chance to apply what you have learned in the classroom. The only class you take while in practicum will be a three hour professional seminar that accompanies the practicum.