75 UNITS REQUIRED  
Grades of "C" or better required. Courses may not need to be completed in order listed.

FALL  |  WINTER  |  SPRING  
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**Social Work Colloquia**
SOWK 204A Introduction to Social Work (1)
SOWK 204B Fields of Practice (1):
SOWK 204C Case Management (1)
SOWK 205 Heritage of American Social Work (4)
SOWK 214 Introduction to Social Work Practice I (4)
SOWK 215 Introduction to Social Work Practice II (4)  Prerequisite: SOWK 214
SOWK 252, 252L Understanding Social Work Research Methods (4)  Prerequisite: MATH 155
SOWK 311 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I (4)
SOWK 312 Human Behavior and the Social Environment II (4)
SOWK 314 Social Work Methods: Generalist Practice with Individuals (4)
SOWK 315 Social Work Methods: Generalist Practice with Groups (4)
SOWK 316 Social Work Methods: Generalist Practice with Communities and Organizations (4)
SOWK 317 Social Work Methods: Generalist Practice with Children and Families (4)
SOWK 349, 349L Generalist Social Work Research Methods (5)
SOWK 388 Field Practicum Orientation (1)
SOWK 405 Social Welfare Policy (4)
SOWK 488 Field Seminar (2 units each seminar; 6 units total required)
SOWK 495 Social Work Senior Study Lab and Seminar (0)
SOWK 498 Field Practicum (4 units each practicum; 12 units total required)
Select 4 units from one of the Social Work courses below
SOWK 286 Special Topics
SOWK 386 Special Topics
Complete the following cognate courses
BIOL 107 Human Biology (or equivalent) (4)
MATH 155 Introductory Statistics (or equivalent) (4)
PSYC 104 General Psychology (4)
SOCI A Sociology course chosen in consultation with an advisor (4)
Additional recommended courses
ECON 254 Principles of Macroeconomics (4)
ECON 255 Principles of Microeconomics (4)
HPSC 106 Race, Ethnicity, and Class in American History (4)
MGMT 304 Management and Organizational Behavior (4)
A Spanish minor (28 units) is recommended, including SPAN 329 Advanced Spanish Grammar and one literature course.

**UNIVERSITY STUDIES FOUNDATIONAL STUDIES (19-37 UNITS)**  
Grades of "C" or better required.

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**UNIVERSITY STUDIES GENERAL STUDIES (52 UNITS, 20 UPPER DIVISION)**  
Grades of "D" or better required, unless courses are required by major.

**THEME IA**
Understanding Human Beings or IB Humans as Thoughtful Global Citizens

**THEME IC**
Globalization, Identity and Citizenship (SSCI 104 / 105 / 106 / 107) \( \text{Prerequisite: ENGL 113/124} \)

**THEME IIA**
History and Appreciation of Visual and Performing Arts

**THEME IIB**
Historical or Contemporary Culture and Context

**THEME IIC**
Exploring Culture (HUMN 204 / 205 / 206) \( \text{Prerequisite: ENGL 111/124} \)

**THEME III**
Any Theme III course (Theme III A, B, C, or D)

**THEME IIIA**
Required Beliefs course (RELT 104 / 106 / 245 or RLGN 304)

**THEME IIIB**
Required Beliefs course (RELT 104 / 106 / 245 or RLGN 304)

**THEME IIIC**
Scripture

**THEME RLGN**
RLGN 304 Adventism in Global Perspective / RLGN 305 Religion in Three Cultures (4) \( \text{Prerequisite: ENGL 113/124, Junior} \)

**THEME IVA**
Life Science (4) other Life Science or Physical Science must include laboratory

**THEME IVB**
Physical Science (4)

**THEME VIC**
Scientific Foundations (NSCI 404 / 405 / 406 / 407) (4)

**THEME V**
Senior Seminar: UNST 404P Religion, Values, and Social Responsibility (4)

**UNIVERSITY STUDIES SERVICE-LEARNING (3 courses)**

\*A maximum of 4 units from major and 8 units of major cognates can be applied to General Studies. For more information, consult 2013-2014 Undergraduate Academic Bulletin, p. 72.

**NOTE:** Should a student's general education and major degree program not meet the minimum 190 units required for graduation, the student must complete elective units to make up the deficiency.
SOCIAL WORK
Bachelor of Social Work

La Sierra University Social Work Department’s mission is to provide dynamic and comprehensive undergraduate education in strengths-based, ecologically-oriented generalist social work practice grounded in Adventist traditions of servant-leadership, activism, and progressive understanding of truth. Within this Christian context we embrace diversity; learners of all ages and backgrounds and faculty nurture and mentor students to become competent professionals. The Social Work program fully prepares BSW graduates for immediate job entry into the diverse field of social work.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS: A professional degree in Social Work prepares graduates of this program for beginning-level, generalist social work practice. Areas in which students are qualified to work include criminal justice, mental health, children and youth services, schools, aging/gerontology, health care, family service agencies, substance abuse programs, domestic violence programs, developmental disabilities services, public welfare (child and adult services), community organization, and social action groups.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: A bachelor’s degree in social work programs prepare students for direct-service positions such as caseworker or mental health assistant. These programs teach students about diverse populations, human behavior, and social welfare policy. All programs require students to complete supervised fieldwork or an internship. Clinical social workers must have a master’s degree and two years of post-master experience in a supervised clinical setting. Clinical social workers must also be licensed in the state in which they practice.

JOB OUTLOOK: Overall employment of social workers is projected to grow 19 percent from 2012 to 2022, faster than the average for all occupations. Employment of child, family, and school social workers is projected to grow 15 percent; employment of healthcare social workers is projected to grow 27 percent; and employment of mental health and substance abuse social workers is projected to grow 23 percent.

SALARY:
The median annual wage for social workers was $44,200 in May 2012 with salaries starting at $27,450.

The median annual wages for social workers in May 2012 were as follows:
$54,560 for all other social workers
$49,830 for healthcare social workers
$41,530 for child, family, and school social workers
$39,980 for mental health and substance abuse social workers

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