

Bachelor in Social Work - Minor in Faith-Based Social Services and Community Engagement

HBI University

Course Duration: 3 years

Credit Hours: 135 (including minor)



Program Description

The Bachelor in Social Work at HBI University prepares students for careers in advocacy, community development, and human services. This program equips students with skills in case management, mental health counseling, and policy analysis, allowing them to work in diverse social service settings. Students will gain hands-on experience in social work ethics, intervention strategies, and nonprofit management.

The Minor in Faith-Based Social Services and Community Engagement provides an additional layer of understanding, allowing students to incorporate Christian values and ethical decision-making into their social work practice. This minor focuses on faith-based outreach, community service, and spiritual support in social work, preparing students to lead nonprofit initiatives, church-based social services, and faith-driven community projects.

Admissions Requirements

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Personal statement outlining career goals and interest in social work

- Two letters of recommendation
- Resume (if applicable)
- SAT/ACT scores (if applicable)

General Education Courses (30 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
GEN 101	English Composition I	3
GEN 102	English Composition II	3
GEN 103	College Algebra	3
GEN 104	Introduction to Philosophy	3
GEN 105	Introduction to World Religions	3
GEN 106	Public Speaking and Communication	3
GEN 107	Ethics and Critical Thinking	3
GEN 108	Research Methods	3
GEN 109	Leadership and Team Development	3
GEN 110	Cross-Cultural Communication	3

Core Social Work Courses (45 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
SW 201	Introduction to Social Work	3
SW 202	Human Behavior and Social Environment	3
SW 203	Social Work Ethics and Professionalism	3
SW 204	Case Management and Client Advocacy	3
SW 205	Diversity and Cultural Competence in Social Work	3
SW 206	Social Welfare Policy and Services	3
SW 207	Mental Health and Substance Abuse Counseling	3
SW 208	Crisis Intervention and Trauma-Informed Care	3
SW 209	Community Organizing and Social Justice	3
SW 210	Research Methods in Social Work	3
SW 211	Child Welfare and Family Services	3

SW 212	Elderly and Disability Social Services	3
SW 213	Nonprofit Management and Social Work Leadership	3
SW 214	Social Work in Healthcare and Rehabilitation	3
SW 215	Ethical Decision Making in Social Work	3

Elective Courses (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
ELEC 301	Social Entrepreneurship and Faith-Based Initiatives	3
ELEC 302	Spiritual Counseling in Social Work	3
ELEC 303	Trauma and Faith-Based Healing Practices	3
ELEC 304	Conflict Resolution in Faith-Based Communities	3
ELEC 305	Advocacy for Marginalized Populations	3

Minor in Faith-Based Social Services and Community Engagement (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
FBS 401	Faith-Based Social Work and Community Service	3
FBS 402	Christian Ethics in Social Services	3
FBS 403	Faith and Mental Health Support	3
FBS 404	Ministry and Crisis Intervention	3
FBS 405	Faith-Based Nonprofit Development and Outreach	3

Capstone Project (15 Credit Hours)

The capstone project in Social Work challenges students to apply their knowledge in real-world settings by developing a research-based social work initiative or intervention plan. Students will:

- Develop a faith-based community service program.
- Conduct research on mental health intervention strategies within faith communities.

- Create a strategic advocacy plan for a social justice issue.
- Present their final project to faculty, community leaders, and social work professionals.

Program Outcomes

Graduates of this program will:

- Master case management, community outreach, and advocacy strategies.
- Apply ethical and faith-based principles to social work practice.
- Utilize crisis intervention techniques in both secular and faith-based environments.
- Engage in nonprofit leadership and organizational management.
- Lead and innovate in community service programs and faith-based initiatives.

Career Outcomes and Potential Pay Scale

Career Path	Average Salary (Annual)
Social Worker	\$50,000 - \$85,000
Faith-Based Case Manager	\$45,000 - \$80,000
Community Outreach Coordinator	\$50,000 - \$90,000
Nonprofit Program Director	\$55,000 - \$100,000
Faith-Based Mental Health Counselor	\$55,000 - \$95,000