

The profession of social work is devoted to helping people function optimally in their environment by providing direct and indirect services to individuals, families, groups, and communities, and by working to improve social conditions. Bachelor's degree programs in Social Work prepare students for careers in public and private agencies such as child welfare, mental health, corrections, shelters, and many other workplaces. Community college students interested in completing bachelor's degrees in social work are strongly encouraged to complete an Associate in Arts degree prior to transfer. Students interested in clinical social work must obtain a master's in social work then state licensure. Students should consult Academic Advising about the particular social work baccalaureate program for specific entry requirements. Since admission is usually competitive, completion of these courses alone does not guarantee admission.

**Students who have already chosen the university to which they plan to transfer should consult that institution's catalog or department advisor and an SVCC academic advisor in planning their program. Transfer guides for some universities are available at [svcc.edu/transfer](http://svcc.edu/transfer).**

### Program Contacts at Sauk Valley Community College

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- Academic Advising, 815-835-6354

## Total Hours Required - 64 Hours

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### Suggested Program

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#### First Semester - 16 Hours

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- Fine Arts 3 Semester hour(s)
- COM 131 - Intro to Oral Communication (3 Semester Hours)
- ENG 101 - Composition I (3 Semester Hours)
- FYE 101 - First Year Experience (1 Semester Hours)
- PHL 102 - Introduction to Philosophy (3 Semester Hours)
- PSY 103 - Introduction to Psychology (3 Semester Hours)

#### Second Semester - 15 Hours

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- Personal Development 3 Semester hour(s)
- Electives 3 Semester hour(s)
- ENG 103 - Composition II (3 Semester Hours)
- MAT 240 - Elementary Statistics (3 Semester Hours)
- SOC 111 - Introduction to Sociology (3 Semester Hours)

#### Third Semester - 17 Hours

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- BIO 105 - Principles of Biology (5 Semester Hours)
  - PHL 101 - Intro to Logic/Formal Reason (3 Semester Hours)
- OR**
- PHL 103 - Ethics and Social Policy (3 Semester Hours)
  - PSY 217 - Abnormal Psychology (3 Semester Hours)
  - SOC 112 - Social Problems (3 Semester Hours)
  - SOC 200 - Introduction to Social Work (3 Semester Hours)

#### Fourth Semester - 16 Hours

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- Physical Science 3 Semester hour(s)
- Elective 1 Semester hour(s)
- ECO 211 - Principles of Macroeconomics (3 Semester Hours)

- PSC 163 - Am Government & Politics (3 Semester Hours)
- SOC 116 - General Cultural Anthropology (3 Semester Hours)
- SOC 251 - Human Sexuality and Marriage (3 Semester Hours)