

# **SOCIAL WORK TRANSFER PATHWAY**

Associate of Arts

# WHY BECOME A SOCIAL WORKER?

Do you want to help people? Do you want to improve people's lives? Do you want to be an advocate for social justice? If the answer is Yes, then the social work profession is for you.

"The primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance human well-being and help meet basic and complex needs of all people, with a particular focus on those who are vulnerable, oppressed, and living in poverty. If you're looking for a career with meaning, action, diversity, satisfaction, and a variety of options, consider social work." – National Association of Social Workers.

What makes social work unique from other professions is the focus on a person's environmental factors that may affect the individual physically, mentally and emotionally as well as the person themselves. Social workers develop assessments and intervention opportunities to assist individuals in coping with their daily environment, and to improve their lives through changes that can improve their future physically, mentally or emotionally. Guiding people to critical resources is a fundamental element of the social work profession, along with therapy, and being an advocate for change to improve social conditions and fight for social justice for all.

# TRANSFER PARTNERS

Bowling Green State University University of Findlay Lourdes University University of Toledo

# **LOCATIONS**

Findlay-area Campus Toledo-area Campus

# JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Social workers can be found in healthcare and mental health facilities (hospitals, nursing homes, treatment centers); schools (helping to prevent kids from dropping out of school, working with children and families in need of help; working with developmental disabilities); justice/corrections (working with prisoners as they rejoin the community); aging; child welfare; and public welfare (community centers, nursing homes). Some examples of positions in social work include\*:

There are many kinds of social workers, such:

- Social and Human Service Assistants
- Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors
- Social and Community Service Managers
- Health Care Social Workers
- Child, Family, and School Social Workers
- Probation Officers and Correctional Treatment Specialists

\*Some of these require specialized training or an additional certificate.

For more examples of social work professions, and the specialized training that may be required, visit NASW.org.

### **SALARY**

Median annual earnings with a bachelor's degree in 2019: \$50,470 \$24.26 per hour

Job Outlook or Projected Growth, 2019-29: 13% (much faster than average)

(U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

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# **PROGRAM CURRICULUM**

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# **REQUIRED COURSES**

### **1ST SEMESTER**

ENG 111	Composition I*	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
or		
ENG111P	Composition 1 Plus*	Credits: 4(Lec: 4)
PSY 101	General Psychology*	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
SPE 102	Interpersonal Communication	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
SWK 201	Intro to Social Work **	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
	OTM Arts and Humanities Elective***	Credits: 3(Lec:3)

### **2ND SEMESTER**

ENG 112	Composition II*	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
or		
HON 201	Interpretations Seminar*	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
GOV 111	American Government	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
SOC 101	Sociology*	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
SWK 220	Social Welfare Institutions	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
	OTM Arts and Humanities Elective ***	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)

#### **3RD SEMESTER**

MTH 213	Introductory Statistics*	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
SOC 220	Multicultural Diversity in US*	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
BIO 101	Life-An Intro to Biology	Credits: 4(Lec: 3 Lab: 3)
SWK 250	Social Work Assessment	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
	OTM Arts and Humanities Elec	tive*** Credits: 3(Lec: 3)

# **4TH SEMESTER**

SWK 260	Field Experience and Lab I	Credits: 3(Lec: 1 Lab: 6)
SOC 201	Social Problems	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
SOC 210	Marriage and the Family	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
AST101	Astronomy	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
or		
ENV 101	Intro to Environmental Science	Credits: 3(Lec: 3)
	OTM Arts and Humanities Elective	e*** Credits: 3(Lec:3)

\*Ohio Transfer Module Course

More information about the Ohio Transfer Module Course can be found at www.ohiohighered.org/transfer/transfermodule

\*\* Transfer Assurance Guide Course

More information about TAG Courses can be found at www.ohiohighered.org/transfer/tag

\*\*\*Students must take two courses from the Arts List and two courses from the Humanities List (see Catalog)



# HOW DO OHIO GUARANTEED TRANSFER PATHWAYS WORK?

A student who completes all of the coursework within a major-specific Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathway (OGTP) will be eligible to earn an Associate Degree from an Ohio public community college. The completion of the OGTP will be recorded on the student's transcript and upon transfer to an Ohio public university, all coursework taken as part of the pathway will transfer to the university toward the completion of a bachelor's degree in an equivalent field.

### **TESTIMONIALS**

"Each of you deserve many thanks for your efforts in educating social work students. My transition to UT was made much easier with the knowledge and instruction I gained from you. I continue to excel at UT in large part to the foundation you laid." Mike Myers '16

"I wanted to thank you for everything you taught me while I was at Owens. I thought that by going to Owens for my associate degree, I would not have the same knowledge as the other social work students when I transferred to a 4-year university. I was definitely wrong. Although it's sad, it's apparent that I actually have a much better understanding of the material we are currently learning, and feel much more comfortable in my classes at the university."

Grace Powers '09

"My time in the Owens social work program has been a delight. I feel like I was given access to a wealth of important information while also being provided with insight from a teaching staff with many years of real world experience. It is this merger of traditional learning tempered with a realistic world view that I believe has more than prepared me for my transition for a 4-year university, and into my career beyond. Again, thank you to all involved in the department."

Gabriel Russell '21

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