CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Social Work Studies, A.A.

Housatonic Community College

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With this degree you will be able to apply for the following majors:

At Central Connecticut State University:	**Social Work, B.A.****
At Eastern Connecticut State University:	**Social Work, B.A.*****
At Southern Connecticut State University:	**Social Work, B.S.******
At Western Connecticut State University:	**Social Work, B.A.*******

Here is the recommended course of study for the **Social Work Studies Transfer Degree.** If you are studying part time, simply follow the order of the courses listed here. Note that not all courses will be available every semester. You will notice that in many instances you will be able to choose the specific course you will take from within a category. For a list of the courses from each category that you can choose from, go to Appendix (PDF).

If you considering an Associate's Degree in Human Services in order to obtain certification for a career, please see Professor Keane as soon as possible. Good, informed advising can help you select 45-60 credits worth of classes that fulfill both the HSE Associate degree and the CSCU Pathway Social Work Studies degree.

First Semester:	**15 credits**
ENG 101 Composition	3 credits
MAT 167 Principles of Statistics	3 credits
HSE 101 Introduction to Human Services	3 credits
Choose one **Aesthetic Dimensions** course	3 credits
Unrestricted Elective	3 credits

Second Semester:	**16 credits**
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology	3 credits
Choose one **Written Communication II** course	3 credits
BIO 115 Human Biology with lab	4 credits##
Choose one **Historical Knowledge and Understanding** course	3 credits
POL 111 American Government	3 credits

Third Semester:	**15-16 credits**
SOC 201 Contemporary Social Issues	3 credits
Choose one **Scientific Reasoning** course	3 credits
ANT 105 Cultural Anthropology	3 credits
Choose one **Additional General Education I** course	3 credits
PSY 111 General Psychology I	3 credits

Fourth Semester:	**15 credits**
Choose 1 or 2 courses from this list:	3-6 credits

HSE 147 Change Theory and Strategies in Behavioral Health
HSE 202 Introduction to Counseling and Interviewing
HSE 243 Human Services Skills and Methods

HSE 292 Human Services Internship II	
Choose one **Oral Communication** course	3 credits
Choose one **Additional General Education II** course	3 credits
Unrestricted Electives*	3-6 credits

##HCC does not offer this course. In order to complete the Social Work Studies CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree at HCC, you will need to take this course online or at another campus. Either of these options may have prerequisites that will need to be taken into account using your Unrestricted Electives. Your advisor will be able to help you determine which courses to take.

Here is another way to look at the degree, by requirements

General Education Requirements: **37 credits**

Unless a course is specifically designated, such as ENG 101 Composition for **Written Communication I**, you will have a choice about which course you take. For a list of the courses from each category that you can choose from, go to Appendix (PDF).

Written Communication I:	3 credits
ENG 101 Composition	
Written Communication II (select one):	3 credits
Scientific Reasoning (select one):	3-4 credits
Scientific Knowledge and Understanding:	4 credits
BIO 115 Human Biology, with Lab##	
Quantitative Reasoning:	3 credits
MAT 167 Principles of Statistics	
Historical Knowledge and Understanding (select one):	3 credits
Social Phenomena:	6 credits
POL 111 American Government	
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology	
Aesthetic Dimensions (select one):	3 credits
Oral Communication (select one):	3 credits
Additional General Education I (select one):	3 credits
Additional General Education II (select one):	3 credits

Major Program Requirements: **15-18 credits**

HSE 101 Introduction to Human Services	3 credits
SOC 201 Contemporary Social Issues	3 credits
ANT 105 Cultural Anthropology	3 credits
PSY 111 General Psychology I	3 credits
Choose 1 or 2 courses from	3 - 6 credits
HSE 147 Change Theory and Strategies in Behavioral Health	
HSE 202 Introduction to Counseling and Interviewing	
HSE 243 Human Services Skills and Methods	
HSE 292 Human Services Internship II	

Unrestricted Electives: **6-9 credits**

*You are free to choose any courses at or above 100-level to complete unrestricted electives, although you may need to use these credits to take courses that prepare you for required courses in the degree program. You should also consider using unrestricted electives to meet foreign language requirements for your programs or to begin work on completing a minor. Central Connecticut State University will require that you complete a minor by earning at least 18 credits in one area outside your major field. You can also complete other General Education requirements for CCSU, SCSU, WCSU, and COSC—but not ECSU. You are encouraged to meet with your advisor to determine which courses to select.

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Social Work Studies Transfer Degree Total: 61 credits

In order to graduate and be guaranteed admission to a State University or to Charter Oak State College, you must earn an overall 2.0 grade point average.

****For admission to CCSU's Social Work program:** (1).Minimum overall GPA of 2.70, which includes both CCSU grades and grades for courses taken at other institutions. (2) Minimum overall GPA of 2.70 for the following introductory Social Work courses and related requirements (Program GPA): Community College SOC 103/201, HSE 101/SOC 235, SOC 101, BIO 115, POL 111, & MAT 167/MAT 201/MAT 165/MAT 168; AND CCSU SW 225, SW 227, SOC 233, & ECON 200. Each of these courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C+. (3) A minimum score of 2 (emerging) on the *Potential for Professional Competence for Generalist Social Work Practice Scale* in each of the following CSWE (2015) competencies: 1.1, 1.3 2.1. (4) A minimum score of 3 or higher in every category of the Volunteer Experience Evaluation for HSE 101/SOC 235 and SW 227. HSE 101/SOC 235, and SW 227. *The Transfer Student Reference Form* may be substituted for field experiences from other colleges. Applications to the Social Work Program are accepted three times a year with deadlines of August 1st, October 1st, and March 1st. Students must submit an admission portfolio electronically to Taskstream. Pre-major students are required to submit electronic evidences at various points in their training. Therefore, a Taskstream account is required for pre-major students. It is the responsibility of the student to purchase a Taskstream subscription and to have that subscription activated during any semester in which the submission of electronic evidence is required. The Taskstream subscription rate will be provided once students transfer and are accepted to CCSU. Students must attend the application and admission to the social work major orientation to meet with social work faculty. The ideal time to apply to the Program is when the applicant is enrolled in SW 227 at CCSU. For TAP Transfer Students, this should be in the first semester at CCSU. (These admission requirements are provisional as of 1 May 2016; they should be approved and ratified during the Fall 2016 term.)

*****For admission to ECSU's Social Work program:** Admission to the Social Work Program is competitive and is not guaranteed by admission to Eastern Connecticut State University. **Applications for the social work major are due on January 31** each year for students expecting to graduate in May, two years following application. Applications received after that date are reviewed as space is available in the junior class. The *online application must be completed in one session (you cannot log out of your computer, save your work, or return to a survey that has been submitted). The application is linked to: http://www1.easternct.edu/socialwork/admissions/*.
You should prepare the following documents to be uploaded with your application: (1) Application Essay (2) Resume (optional) (3) Supplemental information regarding community standards (if relevant) (4) Transcripts from all higher education institutions attended (see instructions) (5) Professional Reference

******For admission to SCSU's Social Work program:** Students interested in majoring in social work must complete a two-step admission process. Initially, students must be accepted into the University by the Admissions Office. Then, application is made for admission to the Bachelor's of Social Work Program in the spring semester prior to the fall semester in which students anticipate enrolling in 300-level social work courses. Applications are available on the Department of Social Work website. The Department of Social Work priority admissions deadline is March 1. The final application deadline each year is June 1. Students who plan to apply to both SCSU and the BSW Program for a Fall semester date *may need* to complete both admission processes *simultaneously.* For optimal consideration for acceptance into the program, you must express your intent to apply prior to the March 1 priority admissions deadline by emailing the BSW Coordinator.

*******For admission to WCSU's Social Work program:** Social work majors must earn at least a “C+” in all designated major courses to have the course credit apply to the degree program. Students must apply for junior and senior program status following a group advisement session (for potential Juniors in late fall preceding the registration period for spring semester; for potential Seniors in spring semester of the junior year). Transfer students are required to interview with the department chair to arrange for meeting the above criteria.
The Junior standing class is limited to 45 Social Work majors. In the event that applications that meet minimum requirements exceed 45 majors, the 45 students with the top GPAs in Social Work Major Requirements will be given first preference, with university GPA serving as Social Work GPA tiebreaker.

These requirements are effective if you declared this major for the 2016/17 academic year.