Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)  
3+1 Collaborative Program between Great Basin College and the University of Nevada, Reno

Great Basin College is offering courses which meet the prerequisites for application to the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) Bachelor of Social Work degree program. Students accepted into UNR’s social work major may complete up to 90 credits at GBC. At least 30 upper-division credits must be completed through the University of Nevada, Reno. Students complete the equivalent of the first three years of academic study at GBC and their final year as social work majors at UNR. Students in this program complete most of the University and Departmental core through GBC. After being accepted to UNR and the professional sequence of the BSW major, students complete their final coursework through UNR (no less than 30 upper-division credits). UNR Social Work courses will be delivered in an online and hybrid format to students in their GBC service area, with some travel to Reno required.

Accreditation  
This program has been approved by the Council on Social Work Education.

Mission Statement  
Social work education is based upon a specific body of knowledge, values, and professional skills. The baccalaureate program offers coursework and field studies that prepare individuals committed to the elimination of poverty, oppression, and social injustice. The goal of professional social work practice is to enhance the functional capabilities of individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities by building on each system’s unique strengths.

Program Description  
The Bachelor of Social Work degree includes course and field work that prepare students for entry-level professional social work practice. Students gain knowledge of the theories, skills, and professional values that enable them to become social workers in a variety of programs, such as child welfare, community development, corrections, delinquency, employee assistance, health settings, mental health, disabilities, planning and administration, public assistance, and services to the aged. The degree also prepares students for admission to graduate school.

Program Requirements  
The student is required to complete 54 social work credits. Of these 54 credits, 48 are in required courses and the remaining six credits are electives and should be selected in consultation with an advisor. Additionally, students who major in social work must meet one of the two following requirements: complete school-required options in cultural diversity-specific courses(s) to be determined in consultation with the student’s academic advisor; or complete a fourth-semester college course in a foreign language.

Admission Requirements  
Undergraduate students interested in the social work degree are admitted to pre-major status. The student is required to attend a social work orientation and then meet with an academic advisor. Students enrolled in the GBC/UNR 3+1 Social Work program as pre-majors, or those who have been accepted into the UNR BSW program, must have their courses reviewed by an advisor before registering.

The admission and retention of students into the UNR Social Work program are subject to the professional judgment of the social work faculty. Meeting the minimum application criteria does not guarantee admission to the Social Work program. In order to assure UNR courses are available when needed, it is recommended that GBC students apply to UNR prior to applying specifically to the BSW program.

To be considered for admission to the UNR BSW program, all application materials must be received in the School of Social Work on or prior to the stated deadline of January 15. However, students will generally be advised to apply to UNR the preceding summer or fall in order to be able to take some UNR classes and be prepared to apply to the BSW program in January. Admission materials are available at the UNR School of Social Work, 775.784.6542, http://www.unr.edu/degrees/social-work/bsw.

To be considered for admission, students must meet the following requirements: be midway through their junior sequence with a grade-point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher in the last 30 credits of study; complete SW 101, 250, 310, and 321 with a grade of C or higher; have completed or be enrolled in SW 311 and 351; submit a formal application; submit essays described on the application; submit a resume depicting employment history and any volunteer experiences you have completed; provide satisfactory references from persons who can discuss your suitability for social work; and submit a copy of your current Academic Advisement Report (degree audit) or your up-to-date transcripts from all institutions attended.

Requirements for graduation with a social work degree include completion of at least 120 credits with an overall
GPA of 2.0 or higher and completion of all required social work courses with a C grade or higher in each course. Students must complete 40 upper-division credits of which 30 must be UNR credits.

This curriculum plan was updated August, 2016, to reflect UNR’s recent transition to the University Silver Core requirements for Fall 2016. There may be additional corrections.

UNR Silver Core General Education Requirements
Available at GBC, except as indicated.
*Applicable to a GBC Associate of Arts degree.

Credits

Silver Core Writing ............................................... 6
ENG 100* or 101*, and ENG 102*

Silver Core Mathematics .................................... 3-6
Choose one of the following options:
MATH 120*, or
MATH 128*, or
MATH 126* and 127*, or
MATH 126* and STAT 152*

Silver Core Natural Sciences ............................... 6-7
BIOL 100* (required)
Choose one of the following options:
ANTH 102; BIOL 191; CHEM 121*, 122; GEOG 103;
GEOL 101*, 102; NUTR 121; PHYS 100*, 151*, 152, 180,
181

Silver Core Social Sciences ............................... 3
SOC 101*

Silver Core Fine Arts .......................................... 3
Choose one of the following:
ART 100*, 101*, 124, 141, 211, 216, 231, 260*, 261*;
ENG 205, 261; MUS 121*; THTR 100*, 105*

Silver Core Humanities ....................................... 6-9
History and Culture
Choose one:
HIST 105*, 106*; PHIL 200, 207
U.S. and Nevada Constitutions
Choose one of the following options:
PSC 101*
HIST 101* and 102*

Additional Silver Core Objectives (CO)

Science, Technology, and Society — CO9 ............... 3
SW 440 — UNR Course

Diversity and Equity — CO10 ............................... 6
Courses must be completed outside of Social Work.
PHIL 210 (GBC) or WMST 101 (GBC)
One upper-division course at UNR.

Global Context Course — CO11 ............................... 3
SW 351**

Ethics Course — CO12 ............................................. 3
SW 420 or 424 - UNR Course

Capstone Integration and Synthesis Course — CO13 .......................... 3
UNR Course

Application Course — CO14 ............................... 6
SW 480 - UNR Course

Pre-Professional Courses ..................................... 18
SW 101 Introduction to Social Work
SW 250 Social Welfare History and Policy
SW 310 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I
SW 311 Human Behavior and the Social Environment II
SW 321 Basics of Professional Communication
SW 351** Global Context of Social Work — UNR

Professional Sequence Courses ......................... 24
SW 420***Social Work Methods with Individuals
SW 421 Social Work Methods with Groups
SW 424***Social Work Methods with Families
SW 427 Social Work Methods with Communities,
Organizations, and Legislatures
SW 440***Principles of Evidence Informed Practice I
SW 441 Principles of Evidence Informed Practice II
SW 480***Field Experience in Social Work I
SW 481 Field Experience in Social Work II

Social Work Electives ............................................. 6
SW 230 (GBC) and a SW course from UNR

Additional Departmental Requirements

BIOL/PSY 105 or HDFS 201................................. 3
ANTH 101, CPD 116, COM 101, ECON 102, PHIL 102,
PSY 101, 241 .................................................. 21

Total Minimum Credits ......................................120

UNR Social Work courses will be delivered in an online and hybrid format. The hybrid courses are SW 420, SW 421, SW 424 and SW 427; these courses have mandatory weekend lab dates on the UNR campus. Admitted students will be required to travel to Reno for a two-day Program Orientation in August, and four weekends in both fall and spring semester of the professional sequence year.

**To be taken from UNR during the spring semester when the students applies to UNR’s Social Work program.

***May be used to meet a Silver Core Objective.
## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE
### BSW—UNR/GBC 3+1 Social Work

### FALL—1st Semester  
- INT  100  0.5  
- CPD  116  3  
- ENG  100 or 101  3  
- MATH  120  3  
- FINE ARTS  3  
- SW  101  3  
**TOTAL**  
15.5  

### SPRING—2nd Semester  
- BIOL  100  3  
- ENG  102  3  
- PHIL  102  3  
- PSY  101  3  
- SOC  101  3  
**TOTAL**  
15  

### FALL—3rd Semester  
- ANTH  101  3  
- COM  101  3  
- HIST  105 or 106  3  
- NATURAL SCIENCE  3  
- SW  250  3  
**TOTAL**  
15  

### SPRING—4th Semester  
- ECON  102  3  
- BIOL  105, HDFS 201, or PSY 105  3  
- PSC  101  3  
- PSY  241  3  
- ELECTIVE* (Gen Ed Technology Recommended)  3  
**TOTAL**  
15  

### FALL—5th Semester  
- PHIL  210 or WMST 101  3  
- SW  230  3  
- SW  310  3  
- SW  321  3  
- ELECTIVE*  3  
**TOTAL**  
15  

### SPRING—6th Semester  
- DIVERSITY (GBC or UNR)*  3  
- ENG  333  3  
- SW  311 (GBC)  3  
- SW  351**(UNR)  3  
- SW ELECTIVE* (UNR)  3  
**TOTAL**  
15  

### FALL—7th Semester (UNR)  
- SW  420  3  
- SW  424  3  
- SW  440  3  
- SW  480  6  
**TOTAL**  
15  

### SPRING—8th Semester (UNR)  
- SW  421  3  
- SW  427  3  
- SW  441  3  
- SW  481  6  
**TOTAL**  
15  

*Choose with advisor