

SOCIAL WELFARE, PHD

The PhD in Social Welfare program develops leaders in academia and research. We foster scholarly energy, collaboration, and creativity and offer a confluence of diverse philosophies and approaches to social work, social welfare research, social policy, social theory, and social justice.

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Required Courses

A minimum of 20 course units are required.

Code	Title	Course Units
Core Requirements		
SOCW 6300	Quantitative Reasoning/Social Statistics	1
SOCW 6680		1
SOCW 8030	Advanced History and Philosophy of Social Welfare	1
SOCW 8110	Social Theory	1
SOCW 8520	Social Welfare Research Methods	1
SOCW 8550	Advanced Social Welfare Research Methods	1
SOCW 8610	Advanced Policy Analysis Research Methods	1
SOCW 8970	Applied Linear Modeling	1
Proseminar		
SOCW 9010	Proseminar (at least four semesters)	2
Additional Courses ¹		
<i>Transfer Credit</i>		
Up to 4 CU of transfer credit can be accepted		4
Select one theory class		1
Select five electives		5
Total Course Units		20

¹ Up to four credit units of transfer credit from another graduate program will be accepted.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2024 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.
