SOCIAL WORK (SOWK)

SOWK 800P – Human Behavior in the Social Environment  
3 credit hours
This course is required foundation course for enrollment in the Masters of Social Work at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. It provides a crucial foundation for understanding the systems framework, which underlies generalist social work curriculum and practice.

SOWK 810P – Social Policy & Programs  
3 credit hours
The course provides students who are enrolled in the Masters of Social Work Foundation Program at UNO with the necessary foundation for understanding social welfare policy and programs. Social welfare refers to all organized efforts by governmental and voluntary institutions aimed at the preventing, reducing, and problem-solving social problems, as well as promoting the well-being of all citizens. The course’s focus is on the fundamental concepts and theories of social welfare policy, the competing values and beliefs that influence the formation and implementation process, and the context of the social problems they address.

SOWK 820P – Diversity & Social Justice  
3 credit hours
This course is required of all students admitted into the Foundation Masters of Social Work at UNO School of Social Work. It provides the theoretical foundation for understanding the structure and function of the greater social environment as it impacts the human experience. It explores various areas of cultural, social and economic diversity within society. Further, it examines the role of social institutions and social, political, and cultural processes as they relate to discrimination and oppression based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, social class and disability status.

SOWK 841P – Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families  
3 credit hours
This course is required of all students admitted into the Foundation Masters of Social Work at UNO School of Social Work and to allow them to develop beginning skills in interviewing and the helping process. This course will develop a foundation for generalist social work practice using a problem solving approach within a general systems framework.

SOWK 842P – Social Work Practice with Groups  
3 credit hours
This course employs evidence-based curriculum to prepare students for entry-level generalist social work practice with groups and families. Students will be armed with knowledge, skills, values and ethics to serve families and groups in a culturally sensitive manner.

SOWK 843P – Social Work Practice with Organizations & Communities  
3 credit hours
This course is required of students who are admitted into the UNO MSW Foundation Program. It focuses on the macro area of social work which includes working with organizations, communities, state, and federal entities.

SOWK 871P – Aging Services  
3 credit hours
The common problems of the aged and their families are studied, knowledge of existing services is provided, and students are exposed to the initial theory and practice of delivering services to the aged in both the outpatient and inpatient setting.