Social Work

B.A. | Bachelor of Arts in Social Work

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Focus on faith

A Christian perspective is central to everything we do at Northwestern. It's what sets us apart from colleges and universities where faith is on the margins or missing altogether. As a social work major, you'll be prepared to follow in Jesus' footsteps, sharing resources and seeking justice for the marginalized.

Advanced preparation

Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), Northwestern's social work major prepares students for career success *and* advanced standing in graduate school. To date, 100% of our social work alumni have completed their graduate studies in **half the time** because of Northwestern's accreditation.

Real-world experience

Before graduation, you'll volunteer at area agencies and shadow professionals to learn about different social work careers. Students have worked with crisis pregnancy centers, adoption services and homeless shelters.

Explore + discover

Spend a semester off campus with one of more than 21 domestic and international study opportunities. Denver Urban Semester participants spend up to 40 hours each week with nonprofit organizations like Lutheran Family Services and the African Community Center. In eastern Europe, Romania Semester students live in the unique culture of a post-communist nation, working at orphanages and in after-school programs.



CSWE accreditation

NWC is 1 of 13 baccalaureate social work programs in Iowa accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.



Nonprofit knowledge

Learn the business side of nonprofit work with our nonprofit management minor.



Hands-on experience

Put your skills to work during a 400-hour practicum with an organization that matches your interests.

Outcomes

Social workers are in high demand, with an expected 78,300 job openings each year until 2030. Join our standout social work alumni at employers and graduate schools such as:

- Behavioral Innovations, Denver, CO
- Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center, Des Moines, IA
- Seasons Center Behavioral Health, Cherokee, IA
- Oneworld Community Health Center, Omaha, NE
- University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN