The Social Work program prepares students for entry-level generalist practice. Through courses, internships, research projects, and student activities delivered by traditional and non-traditional methods (technology), the program fosters in its students a celebration of differences among people and a belief that respecting these differences enriches the quality of life for all. The Division is committed to the preparation of professional social workers who possess the knowledge, skills, and values to address the needs and potential of individuals, families, groups, communities, and organizations. Drawing on an ecological and liberal arts based background and a strengths based perspective, the program prepares students for the pursuit of a more just, humane society. Graduates are prepared for practice particularly with the oppressed and at risk members of society. Graduates are expected to practice from a set of ethical principles inherent in the social work profession, including the recognition that professional development is a lifelong learning process.

LCSC offers the only accredited BSW program in northern Idaho. Program graduates are needed to work with children, families, and under-served or populations at risk including handicapped, mentally disabled, economically deprived, delinquent, elderly, or health impaired.

**Admission Process**

After declaring a Social Work major, students may apply for admission to the BSW program upon completion of 30 core credits as well as SW-140, SW-241, core math, and ENGL-101. The application packet is available to students on line at http://www.lcsc.edu/social-sciences/programs/social-work/.

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#### Integrative Seminar: Ethics & Values

Select one of the following: 3.00

- ID 300A - 300Z (see course descriptions for options)
- ID-301A HILLS CANYON INSTITUTE

#### Foreign/Heritage Language

Select 16 credits of language if selecting Bachelor of Arts Degree 16.00

### Total Credits

37.00-40.00

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### Program Requirements

#### Code | Title                                                      | Credits
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SW-140 | INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL WELFARE             | 3.00
SW-226 | BIOLOGICAL BASES OF BEHAVIOR                               | 3.00
SW-241 | SOCIAL WORK GENERALIST PRACTICE                            | 3.00
SW-320 | HISTORY OF SOCIAL WELFARE IN THE US                        | 3.00
SW-321 | HUMAN BEHAVIOR IN SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT I                     | 3.00
SW-322 | HUMAN BEHAVIOR IN SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT II                    | 3.00
SW-340 | SOCIAL POLICY                                              | 3.00
SW-341 | GENERALIST PRACTICE IN MICROINTERVENTIONS                  | 3.00
SW-342 | GENERALIST PRACTICE IN MEZZO-INTERVENTIONS                 | 3.00
SW-386 | RESEARCH METHODS                                           | 3.00
SW-434 | GENERAL PRACTICE IN MACRO-INTERVENTIONS                    | 3.00
SW-480 | DIVERSITY AWARENESS IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE                | 3.00
SW-497A | FIELD INSTRUCTION I                                        | 4.00
SW-497B | FIELD INSTRUCTION II                                       | 4.00
SW-498A | SENIOR SEMINAR I                                           | 2.00
SW-498B | SENIOR SEMINAR II                                          | 2.00
SW-499A | SENIOR RESEARCH PROJECT AND DESIGN                         | 3.00
### Program Electives

Select two Social Work 300/400 level courses  
Select 6 credits in ANTH, HIST, POLS or SOC 300/400 level courses; select 3 credits of Social Work diversity coursework from Social Work Program's list of approved courses

### General Electives

Select 14 elective credits

Total Credits: 80.00

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1 See SW advisor for list of approved diversity classes under Program Electives.

Students must earn a B- or better in all Social Work practice courses (140, 241, 341, 342, 443, 497 and 498) and a C or better in remaining required Social Work program courses, including Social Work electives. Students must also maintain a 2.7 GPA in all Social Work courses and earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 to be awarded a BSW.

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| SW-342             | GENERALIST PRACTICE IN MEZZO-INTERVENTIONS                  | 3.00    |
| SW-386             | RESEARCH METHODS                                           | 3.00    |
| Elective            | Elective Credits                                          | 2.00    |
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- Public Welfare and Advocacy
- Healthcare
- Clinical Social Work
- Community Organizations
- Gerontology