

# University Studies Program (USP) Planning Guide

*UW Oshkosh's general education program requires a minimum of 38 credits.*

Requirement	Course	
<b>Quest 1 (Q1)</b> - 1 <sup>st</sup> semester Theme: Connecting to Campus   (XL) or (XC) or (XS)	_____	
<b>Quest 2 (Q2)</b> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester Theme: Planning your Future   (XL) or (XC) or (XS)	_____	
<b>Quest 3 (Q3)</b> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> semester Theme: Community Experience   (XL) or (XC) or (XS)	_____	
These three <b>signature questions</b> below are woven throughout the University Studies Program.		
<b>Civic Learning:</b> How do people understand & engage in community life?	<b>Intercultural Knowledge:</b> How do people understand & bridge cultural differences?	<b>Sustainability:</b> How do people understand & create a more sustainable world?
Requirement	Course	Credits
<b>Speaking</b> Comm 111 or 112 (Honors)	_____	3 credits
<b>Writing</b> WRT 188 or 110 (Honors) *Developmental Writing may be needed (100/99)	_____	3 credits
<b>Explore Math (XM)</b> *Developmental Math may be needed (100/101/103/84)	_____	_____
<b>Explore Lab Science (XL)</b> 8 credits required	1) _____	_____
	2) _____	_____
<b>Explore Culture (XC)</b> 9 credits required from at least two different depts.	1) _____	_____
	2) _____	_____
	3) _____	_____
<b>Explore Society (XS)</b> 9 credits required from at least two different depts.	1) _____	_____
	2) _____	_____
	3) _____	_____
<b>Ethnic Studies (ES)</b> may overlap with (XC) or (XS)	_____	_____
<b>Global Citizenship (GC)</b> may overlap with (XC) or (XS)	_____	_____
<b>Advanced Writing (XK) - Connect</b> WRT 287 (Transfers), <b>288</b> , or 310 (Honors)	_____	3 credits



**COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE**  
**Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Degree**

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**Additional Social Work Major Requirements (can be taken prior to admission):**

**American Government & Politics – select one course (3 credits):**

- Poli Sci 105 (XS) or Poli Sci 106 (XS) (Honors version)

**U.S. History – select one course (3 credits)**

- History 201 (XS), 202 (XS), 326, 361, 363, 368, or 385 (ES)

**Statistics – select one course (3 credits)** \*\*Developmental Math may be required.

- General Statistics: Math 189 (XM), Math 201 (XM), Math 301(XM)
- Discipline-Specific Statistics: CJ 281 (XM), Econ 210 (XM), Psych 203 (XM), Soc 281 (XM)

(Please note some of these courses may have prerequisites)

**Social Work Gateway Courses (must be taken prior to admission):**

**Note:** A grade of “C” or better in each and a minimum GPA of 2.75 across the three courses is required.

**Introductory Course Requirement (3 credits):**

- Social Work 167 (ES) Introduction to Social Work

**Human Development Requirement – select one course (3 credits):**

- Social Work 220 Family Life Cycle Transitions
- Ed Foundations 235 (XS) Child & Adolescent Development
- Nursing 200 (XS) Growth, Development, & Health across the Life Span
- Psych 391 Developmental Psychology (Prereq: Psych 101 or 102Q1)

**Interpersonal Skills Requirement – select one course (3 credits):**

- Social Work 298 Interpersonal Skills
- Comm 213Q1 (XC)(ES) Interpersonal Communication: Ethnic Studies (Q1)
- OR**
- Comm 214 (XC) Interpersonal Communication: Non-Quest

**Social Work Program Admission Requirements:**

- Completion of USP coursework and about 60 credits earned by the end of the application term
- 2.5 minimum Pre-Social Work Foundation GPA
- 2.75 minimum Social Work Gateway GPA
- Minimum of 50 hours of volunteer work
- Application = spring term only for a fall term start
- Program = 2 academic years (4 sem.) once admitted
- Review department website and student handbook for more information: <https://www.uwosh.edu/socialwork>

**Pre-Social Work Foundation GPA Criteria:**

- Quest Writing
- Quest Speaking
- Best Math (XM) course
- Two best Lab Science (XL) courses
- Three best Culture (XC) courses
- Three best Society (XS) courses
- Social Work Gateway courses (all three)

\*For questions, contact an advisor in the UARC or Colleen Hansen (hansenc@uwosh.edu)