

Transfer Guide for Community College Students Transferring to:

Metropolitan State University of Denver
College of Professional Studies
Bachelor of Science in Social Work
303-615-0555
www.msudenver.edu/socialwork

The Social Work major at MSU Denver is a Fall start only Program. Students will begin taking upper division Social Work courses in the Fall semester after they are accepted into the Program and after all prerequisites are completed. At least one of these prerequisites must be taken at MSU Denver. Therefore, students should apply to the Program in the Spring semester and transfer to MSU Denver no later than the summer before they intend on starting the major. For advising, contact the Office of Social Work Student Services at socialwork@msudenver.edu or 303-615-0555.

I. General Education Courses

Based on completing an Associate of Arts Degree. Please see an advisor if you are considering a different degree option. Students who do not place into college level English Composition or Math will have to take prerequisite Developmental Education courses.

gtPathways Category	Credit Hours	Community College Course Number and Title
Written Communication	6	ENG 121 English Composition I and ENG 122 English Composition II
Oral Communication	3	COM 115 Public Speaking or COM 125 Interpersonal Communication
Mathematics	3	One gtPathways Mathematics course (GT-MA1)
Arts & Humanities	9	Three gtPathways Arts & Humanities courses from two different areas (GT-AH1 , GT-AH2 , GT-AH3 , or GT-AH4)
Social & Behavioral Sciences	6	POS 111 American Government and PSY 101: General Psychology
History	3	Choose 1 History course (GT-HI1). See Global Diversity courses on page 2 for recommended options.
Natural & Physical Sciences	7-10	BIO 105 Science of Biology with Lab or BIO 111 General Bio with Lab and One gtPathways Science course (GT-SC1).
	37 -40	TOTAL GEN ED CREDITS Credits beyond 37 will apply to elective credits for an AA degree. All of these credits will transfer and apply to the bachelor's degree, but won't necessarily apply to general education credits at the 4 year institution.

II. Required Courses for Social Work Major at MSU Denver

Credit Hours	Community College Course Number and Title
3	PSY 102 General Psychology II
3	ANT101 Cultural Anthropology or SOC101 Intro to Sociology

III. Elective and Recommended Courses

“Recommended Courses” means courses that students are strongly encouraged, but not required, to take for preparation in this major and are listed in priority order.

Credit Hours	Community College Course Number and Title
0-4	<p>Global Diversity: Choose one course from among the following options. Note to students: This requirement is intended to be fulfilled by taking a single course that fits this category and one other category from your general education requirements including the Arts and Humanities or Historical categories.</p> <p>ANT 111 Biological Anthropology with Lab (GT-SC1) ART 111 Art History Ancient to Medieval (GT-AH1) ART 112 Art History Renaissance to Modern (GT-AH1) HIS 101 Western Civilization: Antiquity-1650(GT-HI1) HIS 102 Western Civilization: 1650 - Present(GT-HI1) HIS 111 The World: Antiquity-1500(GT-HI1) HIS 112 The World: 1500-Present(GT-HI1) HIS 205: Women in World History(GT-HI1) HIS 243 History of Modern China(GT-HI1) HIS 244 History of Latin America(GT-HI1) HIS 249 History of Islamic Civilization(GT-HI1) HIS 255 Middle Ages(GT-HI1) MUS 123 Survey of World Music(GT-AH1)</p>
3	<p>Multicultural (choose one course): ETH 200: Introduction to Ethnic Studies <u>or</u> ETH 224: Introduction to Chicano Studies</p>
	<p>Student chooses, with help from an advisor, from the approved electives list for the community college’s AA or AS degree.</p> <p>Recommended Course: SWK 100: Introduction to Social Work</p> <p>Note to Students: If you attend one of the following institutions, please contact the Department of Social Work directly (303-615-0855) for further course suggestions and advising: Community College of Denver, Colorado Mountain College, Pikes Peak Community College, or Red Rocks Community College.</p>
60	TOTAL ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE CREDITS

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS OR SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (60 Credits):

Students should note that all required courses must be satisfactorily completed as part of the AA degree at the community college and will also transfer and apply to the bachelor's degree requirements at the receiving 4-year institution. However, if you're going to transfer before completing the AA degree, you may not need some of these courses. In that case, check with the receiving institution and an advisor for your options.

GUARANTEES & LIMITATIONS

- 1. Completion of Associate's Degree:** This transfer guide identifies the courses a student needs to complete (with a C- or higher) to earn an AA or AS degree at a Colorado community/junior college in order to be able to finish the designated baccalaureate degree in no more than 60 credits. Per [Colorado Commission on Higher Education \(CCHHE\) Policy I, L](#), students who complete an AA or AS degree at a Colorado community/junior college and who are admitted to a Colorado public baccalaureate institution are guaranteed the following: the full transfer and application of a minimum of 60 credits toward the baccalaureate degree requirements at the Colorado institution of higher education; completion of the lower-division component of the receiving institution's general education core curriculum; and junior standing. Course credit may be applied to major, elective or other requirements at the receiving institution's discretion. If more than 60 college-level credits are taken or the student gets lower than a C- in one or more courses at the community/junior college, then some loss of transfer credit may occur, and students may not be able to complete this baccalaureate degree in 120 credits.
- 2. Transfer Before Completing the Associate's Degree:** If the student intends to transfer prior to completing an AA or AS degree, this transfer guide should still be used to identify the courses that can most effectively prepare them for efficiently completing the designated major at the baccalaureate institution to which they are transferring. While not completing the required associate's degree eliminates the guarantees described here, gtPathways general education courses identified in Section I are guaranteed to transfer and apply to the receiving institution's gtPathways lower division general education requirements. Students are strongly encouraged to finish course sequences (such as English Comp I & II or Calculus I, II & III) before transferring.

For additional information on CCHHE transfer policies and gtPathways guaranteed transfer of general education credit, visit <http://highered.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/Students.html>. To file a transfer-related complaint with the Colorado Department of Higher Education, visit <http://highered.colorado.gov/Academics/Complaints/default.html>