LC Express
North Idaho College
Social Work BSW 2026-2027 Advising Guide

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Core Requirements to take at NIC
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Gem Standard	Category	Credits Required
Gem 1	Written Communication	3
Gem 2	Oral Communication	3-5
Gem 3	Mathematical Ways of Knowing	7-8
Gem 4	Scientific Ways of Knowing Note: Students must take at least 1 lab science course to fulfill Gem 4	6
Gem 5	Humanistic and Artistic Ways of Knowing	6
Gem 6	Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing	1-3
Gem 7W	Wellness	3
Gem7F/Gem 7I	First Year Experience or Institutionally Designated	3

Total Credits Required to be Core Complete: 36-40

Lower Division Course Requirements to Transfer to LC State
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NIC Course Code	NIC Credits	LC State Equivalent Course	LC State Course Title
SOWK-240	3	SW-140	Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare
SOWK-241	3	SW-241	Social Work Practice Foundations

Total Degree Specific Lower Division NIC to LC State Transferable Credits: 6
Total Credits Required for LC Express Eligible AA/AS: 60

Upper Division Requirements
Upper Division Course Requirements – Program Requirements

LC State Course Code	LC State Course Title	LC State Credits
SW-321	Human Behavior in Social Environment I	3
SW-322	Human Behavior in Social Environment II	3
SW-340	Social Work Policy	3
SW-341	Social Work Practice with Individuals	3
SW-386	Foundations of Social Work Research	3
SW-355	Self-Care for Social Workers	3
SW-342	Social Work Practice with Groups	3
SW-480	Diversity Awareness in Social Work Practice	3
SW-443	Social Work Practice with Organizations and Communities	3
SW-483	Field Education I	4
SW483	Field Education I	4
SW-485	Field Seminar I	2
SW-486	Field Seminar II	2

Upper Division Course Requirements – Program Electives

LC State Course Code	LC State Course Title	LC State Credits
Select three Social Work 300/400 level courses		
Select 6 credits in ANTH, GEOG, HIST, JS, POLS, PSYC, SOC, SS, SW, HEALT, BUS/COMM, SPAN or SW 300/400 level courses.		

Select 14 general elective credits

Total program credits needed to graduate: 83
Total LC State non-transfer credits needed to graduate: 32
Total upper division credits needed to graduate: 36

Students must earn a B- or better in all Social Work practice courses (, 241, 341, 342, 443, 480) 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.
This is just a guide. Check with your advisor to ensure you earn at least 32 credits at LC State and have completed 36 upper division credits.

Visit the LC State Catalog for more information on program requirements: Social Work - BSW | Lewis-Clark State College General Catalog