Freshmen Pre-Orientation Information

Welcome to OSU College of Social Work! We are pleased that you have elected to enter Ohio State as a pre-social work student. Part of your university orientation program will include meeting with an academic advisor in the College of Social Work, and we look forward to meeting you then.

There are several things you should do now to prepare for your orientation program:

- **Visit our web site.** You should review the Curriculum Guides page. This will provide you with a good introduction to the program and curriculum. Be sure to view the 4-year Curriculum Sheet, General Education Courses, and our Global Options in Social Work. Honors students will want to look at the Honors Curriculum Sheet.
- Begin to deepen your passion for studying social work and your understanding of the social work profession by viewing our future student portion of our website.
- If you wish, you can start planning your schedule for autumn semester. Most pre-social work students will take Social Work 1100 Social Work Survey, Social Work 1130 Introduction to Social Work, Sociology 1101 Introductory Sociology, Biology 1102 Human Biology, English 1110, and math, pending math placement test score. See the schedule planning section below for details.

We look forward to working with you this summer as you prepare to start your career at Ohio State!

**Schedule Planning for Autumn Semester**

Be sure to review the curriculum information on our website as indicated above before you start planning your schedule.

- **Social Work 1100 is required for all new students.** This course includes valuable information for new students at OSU as well as an introduction to the Social Work major.
- **Social Work 1130:** This is a pre-major course that provides an introduction to the core values, fundamental goals, unique functions, and methods of the social work profession.
- **English 1110:** First Year English Composition is a practice in the fundamentals of expository writing.
- **Sociology 1101:** Introductory Sociology is a pre-major course that covers the fundamental concepts of sociology and introduction to the analysis of social problems and interactions.
- **Biology 1102:** Human Biology is a pre-major course requirement. Topics include structure and physiological function, reproduction and development, genetics and disease, ecology, and evolution.
• **Math:** Be sure to take your math placement test before orientation; we cannot schedule you in math without this placement score. Students who have college credit in math may not be required to take this test. See the table below for the math options based on your placement level. The prerequisite for admission to the social work major is Math 1060 or 1075. Credit for Math 1060 or 1075 or higher mathematics; or math placement test score of L, M, N, or R fulfills social work’s pre-major math requirement.

**Summary of math options based on math placement:**

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**General Education (GE) Courses**

In addition to the courses listed above, students may select other pre-major courses or GE courses. List of pre-major courses and GE courses can be found on our [website](http://www.ourwebsite.com).

**Course descriptions are available in the course catalog.**

**Not sure what to take?** No worries — this scheduling information is provided as an introduction only. We will explain the curriculum in more detail and work with you at orientation to find the most appropriate autumn semester schedule based on your placement levels, academic strengths, and interests.