

# DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

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## Bachelor's

- Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.) (<http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/letters-arts-social-sciences/social-work/bsw/>)

## Minor

- Appalachian Studies, Minor (<http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/letters-arts-social-sciences/social-work/appalachian-studies-minor/>)
- Social Welfare, Minor (<http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/letters-arts-social-sciences/social-work/social-welfare-minor/>)
- Women and Gender Studies, Minor (<http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/letters-arts-social-sciences/social-work/women-gender-studies-minor/>)

## Certificate

- Appalachian Studies, Departmental Certificate (<http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/letters-arts-social-sciences/social-work/appalachian-studies-certificate/>)
- Public Child Welfare Certification Program (<http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/letters-arts-social-sciences/social-work/public-child-welfare-certification-program/>)
- Women and Gender Studies, Departmental Certificate (<http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/letters-arts-social-sciences/social-work/women-gender-studies-certificate/>)

## Courses

### Appalachian Studies

#### APP 200. Introduction to Appalachia. (3 Credits)

A. An introduction to the interdisciplinary study of the Appalachian region. Special emphasis on the region's place in a national and global context, and on internal and external definitions of the region. Gen. Ed. VII and Element 5B and 6.

#### APP 340. Environmental Economics. (3 Credits)

A. Cross listed as ECO 340 and ENV 340. Prerequisite: ECO 230. Applications of basic economic analysis to a study of the environment and environmental problems. Major topics include benefit-cost analysis for environmental decision-making, the potential for market-based solutions to environmental problems, and the role and development of environmental policy. Credit will only be awarded for APP 340 or ECO 340 or ENV 340.

#### APP 350. Special Topics:\_\_\_\_. (3 Credits)

A. Exploration of particular topics not covered in the existing curriculum. May be retaken for a maximum of six hours provided the subject matter is different each time.

#### APP 355. Rural Crime and Justice. (3 Credits)

A. Cross-listed as CRJ 355. Prerequisite: APP 200 or CRJ 101 or PLS 103 or SJS 101 or COR 201 or departmental approval. Survey of rural crime and justice issues, crime trends, policing and control of rural crime with particular attention given to Kentucky and Appalachia. Credit will not be awarded for both CRJ 355 and APP 355.

#### APP 360. Media Images of Appalachia. (3 Credits)

Prerequisites: ENG 102, 105 (B), or HON 102; APP 200 recommended but not required. Explores representations of Appalachia in a variety of media including documentary and feature film, television, music, magazines, news media, advertising and marketing, and in the context of contemporary sources such as social media. Credit will be awarded for only one of the following courses: APP 360, APP 363, SOC 363.

#### APP 365. Appalachian Literature. (3 Credits)

I. Cross listed as ENG 365. Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105(B) or HON 102. Study of selected Appalachian artists, with emphasis on interdisciplinary, cultural, and aesthetic concerns raised in works by writers such as Arnow, Berry, and Still. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for: ENG 365, ENG 365W, or APP 365W. Gen. Ed. Element 3B and 6.

#### APP 366. Social Change in Appalachia. (3 Credits)

A. Cross listed as SOC 365. Completion of SOC 131 or SOC 235 is advised before taking APP 366. Analysis of patterns of social change and development in an important area of the Southern United States, Central and Southern Appalachia. Emphasis will be placed upon competing theoretical perspectives and the importance of historical research. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for SOC 365.

#### APP 373. Politics of Development in Appalachia. (3 Credits)

A. Cross listed as POL 373. Prerequisite: ENG 102, 105 (B), or HON 102. This course examines community and economic development in the Appalachian region with special emphasis on Kentucky. Focus will be on the political, economic and social aspects affecting development. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for POL 373. Gen. Ed. E-6.

#### APP 375. Appalachian Religion. (3 Credits)

Prerequisites: ENG 102, or ENG 105 (B), or HON 102; APP 200 recommended but not required. Examines the history and diversity of Appalachian religious traditions, practices, beliefs and symbol systems and how they have influenced social order, politics, community activism, health services, leadership development, education, and environmental stewardship throughout the region. Credit will not be awarded for only one of the following courses: APP 375, APP 370, SOC 370.

#### APP 420. Appalachia in U.S. History. (3 Credits)

A. Cross listed as HIS 420. Prerequisites: ENG 102, 105 (B), HON 102; three hours HIS or department approval. The relationship between Appalachia and the rest of the United States. Topics include the *yeoman* myth, coal industrialization, settlement houses, company towns, and the identification of the region with poverty. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for HIS 420.

**APP 430. Sustainability in Appalachia. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as GEO 430. Prerequisites: GEO 100, 110, 210 or 220; ENG 102 or ENG 105(B) or HON 102, and MAT 105 or higher or STA 215 or 270, or departmental approval. Examination of Appalachia's ecological, social, and economic patterns, and the processes through which residents can ensure their social, economic and ecological sustainability in the future. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for GEO 430 or ENV 430.

**APP 460. Seminar in Appalachian Studies. (3 Credits)**

Prerequisite: 12 hours. Appalachian Studies or instructor approval. In-depth analysis of current social, political, economic or environmental issues in the Appalachian region through a directed research project or applied service-learning field experience. Capstone course for the Appalachian Studies minor.

**APP 490. Independent Study. (1-3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: Student must have the independent study form/proposal approved by the faculty member and Center director prior to enrollment. May be taken for a maximum of six hours provided the subject matter is different each time.

**APP 520. Providing Health Care Services in Appalachia. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as OTS 520/720. Prerequisite: departmental approval. An analysis of the development and delivery of health care services in Appalachia. Examination of relevant current and historical factors which have an impact on the health of the Appalachian people. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for OTS 520/720.

**Social Work****SWK 210. Introduction to Social Work. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Introduces philosophy, values, ethics, and processes of the social work profession; emphasizes the bases of Generalist practice theory; areas of practice; social justice and the role of violence in society.

**SWK 225. Human Behavior/Social Environment. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites or co-requisites: SOC 131, PSY 200, and SWK 210. Bio-psycho-social perspective of human behavior and social interactions based on systems theory. Explores traditional and alternative paradigms of developmental life cycle and family interactions. Emphasis on developmental diversity in a multicultural society.

**SWK 310. Social Welfare Policy History. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisite: ENG 102, or ENG 105(B), or HON 102. History of social welfare policy, its role and relationship with other social institutions; structure and function of U.S. system compared to other national systems; inequitable distribution of resources, and its contribution to an oppressive environment. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for SWK 310W.

**SWK 310W. Social Welfare Policy History. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites: ENG 102 or ENG 105 (B) or HON 102. History of social welfare policy; its role and relationship with other social institutions, structures and function of U.S. system compared to other national systems; inequitable distribution of resources; and its contribution to an oppressive environment. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for SWK 310.

**SWK 335. Human Behavior/ Social Environment II. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites: SWK 210. Prerequisite or corequisite: SWK 225. Examination and application of theories of community, organizational and group behavior. Critical analysis of the social, economic and political forces and institutions that impact human behavior.

**SWK 340. Social Work Research Methods. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisite: SWK 310. Prerequisite or corequisite: SWK 390 and SOC 232. The course teaches application of both qualitative and quantitative research methods within the context of social work practice.

**SWK 344. Stress Management & Self Care. (3 Credits)**

(3) A. Prerequisite: ENG 102 or ENG 105 (B) or HON 102. Introduction to the science of stress and stress management focusing on developing lifetime habits of wellness and self-care for the helping professions. Major focus on experiential, evidence-based stress management exercises. Fulfills University Wellness requirement.

**SWK 350. Social Work Practice I. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisite: Admission to the Social Work Program, SWK 225 and SWK 310. Prerequisite or Corequisite: SWK 335. Corequisite: SWK 354. Theoretical base for social work practice from a generalist perspective. Focuses on the social work process: problem identification; data collection and synthesis; assessment; planning and intervention; termination; and evaluation. Emphasis on multidimensional assessment and practice ethics.

**SWK 354. Social Work Practice Methods. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Corequisite: SWK 350. Focuses on interactional activities and exercises that foster the development of interviewing skills, data collection, contracting, synthesis, assessment, service contracting and use of relationship skills.

**SWK 355. Social Work Practice II. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites: SWK 335, SWK 350, and SWK 354. Addresses the social work process with groups and families with a focus on assessments, intervention, implementation, and evaluation of practice strategies. Facilitation of psycho-educational groups to practice group work skills.

**SWK 358. Child Abuse and Neglect. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: Admission to the Public Child Welfare Certification Program (PCWCP) and departmental approval. Knowledge base for identification, risk determination and psycho-social assessment of child abuse, neglect and dependency situations. Explores service delivery, role of the court, and the impact of cultural and institutional violence. Required course for PCWCP.

**SWK 360. Social Work Practice III. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisite: SWK 335 and SWK 350. Prerequisite or corequisite: SWK 390. Social Work process and skills applied to assessment and intervention with networks, organizations, and communities. Emphasis on community research; program development and evaluation; grantsmanship; strategies to advance social justice and address institutional and cultural violence.

**SWK 365. Crisis Intervention. (3 Credits)**

(3) I, II. Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105(B) or HON 102. This course will examine current theories pertaining to crisis intervention, assessment strategies, key public policy issues, and the treatment system. This course uses on-line discussion, presentations, and videos to facilitate learning.

**SWK 390. Field Experience in a Social Agency. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisite: SWK 350 and SWK 354 and overall GPA 2.5 or above. Co-requisite: Personal Liability Insurance. A minimum of 100 hours spread over the semester in an agency, or community program approved by Field Education Coordinator plus weekly seminar is required. Applications of practice theory and process. Application must be made through Field Education Coordinator the semester preceding placement. Social Work majors only.

**SWK 410. Social Welfare Policy Practice. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites: SWK 310 or 310W. Dynamics of policy implementation at administrative, judicial, and legislative levels: policy analysis, formulation, modification, and evaluation; focus on policies that contribute to social injustices and policies that foster the creation, enhancement, or promotion of violence.

**SWK 440. Addictions. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites: Junior or Senior standing. Open to all majors. This course will examine how to assess, intervene, and treat individuals, families, and groups with substance abuse and other addictions. The course will examine addictions from a strengths perspective.

**SWK 450. Child Abuse Interventions. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: SWK 358 and admission to Public Child Welfare Certification Program (PCWCP). Development of assessment, intervention, and prevention skills in child abuse and neglect. Focus is on public agency involvement. Required course for PCWCP.

**SWK 455. Selected Topics in Social Work. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: departmental approval. Recommended Junior or Senior standing. Open to all majors. Course content will be determined by interests and developments in the profession. May be retaken to a maximum of nine hours.

**SWK 456. Children's Services. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: instructor approval. Critical appraisal of societal values of priorities underlying services to children. Examines range of services and skills used in social work practice with children; understanding psycho-social needs of children.

**SWK 457. Assessing Needs of Older Adults. (3 Credits)**

A. Examines societal values relating to the elderly; psycho-social needs of the elderly; community-based and institutional services; and dynamics of working with the elderly and their families. Open to all majors.

**SWK 490. Social Work Practicum. (12 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites: Overall GPA of 2.5 and completion of all other major requirements with a minimum grade of "C." Corequisite: Personal Liability Insurance. Supervised practice in a social agency approved by Field Education Coordinator. A minimum of 300 hours over the course of the semester plus a weekly seminar is required. Application must be made through Field Education Director the semester preceding placement. Social Work majors only.

**SWK 495. Independent Study in Social Work. (1-6 Credits)**

(1-6) A. Student must consult with the faculty supervisor and have the independent study proposal form approved by faculty supervisor, program director, and departmental chair prior to enrollment. May be retaken to a maximum of six hours.

**SWK 499. Directed Research in Social Work. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: Departmental approval. A directed research experience for social work majors that integrates a research experience with the students' professional development and the production of a substantive deliverable product (e.g., poster or conference presentation).

**SWK 561. Alcohol and Drug Assessment. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing. Provides clinical and scientific knowledge about the history and range of consequences associated with alcohol and drug addiction. Credit will not be awarded for both SWK 561 and SWK 761.

**SWK 562. Alcohol and Drug Treatment. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing. Open to all majors. Provides clinical and scientific knowledge about the treatment of alcohol and drug addiction. Credit will not be awarded for both SWK 562 and SWK 762.

**Women and Gender Studies****WGS 132. Introduction to the Family. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as CDF 132. Ecological and systems approach applied to public and private family concepts; historical changes and current status; relationships among individuals, families, consumers, and communities; status of women, men, children and the elderly; public policy related to changes in the family. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for CDF 132.

**WGS 201. Intro to Women & Gender Studies. (3 Credits)**

A. Introduction to interdisciplinary field of women's, gender, and sexuality studies and feminist scholarship. Provides overview of the intersectionality of gendered experiences, images, and issues from a wide variety of disciplinary perspectives. Gen. Ed. Element 6.

**WGS 205. Sexualities and Social Issues. (3 Credits)**

A. (3). Cross-listed as SOC 205. An examination of the diversity of sexuality and related social issues in the United States and Globally. Topics include culture, history, law, mass media, politics, and religion. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for SOC 205 or WGS 302. Gen. Ed. E-6 [GE].

**WGS 300. Topics in Women and Gender Studies:\_\_\_\_. (3 Credits)**

A. Intensive study of selected topics related to recognizing and validating the experience of women and their contributions to society. May be retaken for a maximum of six hours provided the topics are different. Credit will not be awarded to students who have completed WGS 302, and Special Topics: Gender, Sexuality & Homophobia.

**WGS 303. Women in American History. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as HIS 303. Prerequisite: ENG 102, 102R, 105(B), or HON 102; three hours HIS or departmental approval. Social, economic, and cultural role of women in America. Women's work; social position and status; women in reform movements; feminism and the suffrage movements; the new feminism. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for HIS 303.

**WGS 304. Gender Perspectives on Contemporary Terrorism. (3 Credits)**

A. An interdisciplinary look at contemporary terrorism and U.S. policy. Analyzing the perception of women in the U.S. and elsewhere around the world, with particular focus on American, Iraqi, Afghan, Palestinian, and Muslim women. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for WGS 300 Special Topics; Gender Perspectives on Contemporary Terrorism.

**WGS 305. Domestic Violence. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as CRJ 305. Prerequisite: CRJ 101 or PLS 103 or SJS 101 or COR 201 or WGS 201 or departmental approval. Examination of the theoretical and empirical literature on violence against women, children, and elders. Addresses such issues as physical and sexual abuse of children, courtship violence, domestic violence, marital rape, and elder abuse. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for CRJ 305.

**WGS 306. Masculinity & Popular Culture. (3 Credits)**

(3) A. Exploration of images and ideals of men and masculinity as they have evolved in popular culture due to race, class, culture, age, and sexuality. Prerequisites: ENG 102 or 105(B) or HON 102. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for WGS300 Special Topics: Masculinity & Popular Culture.

**WGS 308. Trans Studies. (3 Credits)**

(3) A. Prerequisites: ENG102 or 105(B) or HON102. Introduction to emerging field of Trans Studies through exploration of trans history, identities, experiences, politics, and culture in the contemporary U.S. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for WGS 300 Special Topics: Intersexuality & Transexuality.

**WGS 309. Women and Trauma. (3 Credits)**

(3) Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105 (B) or HON 102. A study of contemporary psychological trauma theories with analysis of historical and contemporary representations of trauma in film, fiction, poetry, and American culture. Credit will not be awarded for both WGS 309 and WGS 300: Women and Trauma.

**WGS 310. Historical Costume & Soc Order. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as ADM 310. History of dress from ancient Egypt through the 20th century. Factors which influence the style of dress are studied and relationship between costume of the past and current modes. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for ADM 310.

**WGS 311. Biology of Sex. (3 Credits)**

I, II. Prerequisites: ENG 102 or ENG 102R, 105(B) or HON 102 or departmental approval. Cross-listed as BIO 305. Fundamental principles related to human sexual reproduction. Structure, function, control, and coordination of the human reproductive system. Problems associated with fertility, sexuality, birth control. STD's and human population will be discussed. May not be used to satisfy area, major or minor requirements for Biology majors. Credit will not be awarded for both BIO 305 and WGS 311.

**WGS 331. Marriage and Intimate Relationships. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as CDF 331. The process within and types of intimate relationships in contemporary times. Topics include singlehood, partner selection, marriage, divorce, remarriage, longterm enduring marriage, and factors which affect the success of intimate relationships. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for CDF 331.

**WGS 344. Violence Against Women. (3 Credits)**

Cross listed as CRJ 344. Prerequisites: Sophmore standing. Explores the social character of violence against women. A variety of theories are utilized to examine this phenomenon at the individual, organizational and societal levels. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for CRJ 344, or CRJ 423 Topical Seminar: Violence Against Women or WGS 300 Special Topics: Violence Against Women.

**WGS 349. Applied Learning in Women and Gender Studies. (0.5-8 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: approval of Director of Women and Gender Studies. Work in job placements related to Women's Studies. One to eight hours credit. Minimum of 80 hours employment required for semester hour credit.

**WGS 349A. Cooperative Study: Women and Gender Studies. (0.5-8 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: approval of Director of Women and Gender Studies. Work in job placements related to Women and Gender Studies. One to eight hours credit. Minimum of 80 hours employment required for semester hour credit.

**WGS 349B. Cooperative Study: Women and Gender Studies. (0.5-8 Credits)**

Formerly WMS 349B. Prerequisite: approval of Director of Women and Gender Studies. Work in job placements related to Women and Gender Studies. One to eight hours credit. Minimum of 80 hours employment required for semester hour credit.

**WGS 349C. Cooperative Study: Women and Gender Studies. (0.5-8 Credits)**

A. Formerly WMS 349C. Prerequisite: approval of Director of Women and Gender Studies. Work in job placements related to Women and Gender. One to eight hours credit. Minimum of 80 hours employment required for semester hour credit.

**WGS 364. Women's Literature. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as ENG 364. Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105 (B) or HON 102. Study of selected literature by women writers from varying cultures, genres, and periods. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for ENG 364. Gen. Ed Element 6.

**WGS 365. Women, Gender, and Religion. (3 Credits)**

(3) A. Cross-listed as REL 365. Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105(B) or HON 102. A study of the intersections between feminism and the social impact of religion throughout the world with particular emphasis on the relationship between religion and gender, sexuality, and body politics. Credit will not be awarded for both WGS 365 and REL 365.

**WGS 366. Queer Theory and Literatures. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross-listed as ENG 366. Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105 or HON 102. Examination of trends in Queer Theory; study of major contributors to the field as Foucault, Butler, and Sedgwick; application of theoretical models to literary and cinematic texts. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for ENG 366. Gen. Ed. E-6.

**WGS 378. Black Women in History. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as AFA 378. Examines the lives of African-American women from slavery to the present with emphasis on the impact of race, gender, and class issues on their multi-faceted lives as women in America. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for AFA 378.

**WGS 380. Gender and Work in the U.S.. (3 Credits)**

Cross-listed as OTS 380. Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105(B) or HON 102 or departmental approval. A survey of occupational science and sociological constructs related to gendered work. Includes content on family-work linages, gendered organizations, and public policies in the workplace. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for OTS 380, OTS 480, or WGS 480.

**WGS 399. Gender and Society. (3 Credits)**

Cross-listed as SOC 399. Prerequisites: SOC 131 or SOC 235; ENG 102 or ENG 102R or ENG 105(B) or HON 102. Emphasis on the relationship between the social construction of gender and the experiences of people of all genders in society. Consideration of the cultural and historical construction of gender and identity. Gen. Ed. E-6 [GE]. Credit will not be awarded for both WGS 399 and SOC 399.

**WGS 400. Feminist Theory and Practice. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross-listed as SJS 400. Prerequisite: WGS 201 or SJS 101 or departmental approval. Examines intersectional development of feminist theory and its implications for continuing feminist scholarship. Includes related research project in students major. Usually offered in the fall semester. Credit will not be awarded for both WGS 400 and SJS 400.

**WGS 420. The Psychology of Women and Gender. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as PSY 420. Prerequisite: PSY 240, PSY 300, and completion of all academic readiness indicators in reading; ENG 102 or 102R or ENG 105 (B) or HON 102, or departmental approval. Introduction to current and historical theories and research into the psychology of women, including gender differences and similarities. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for PSY 420.

**WGS 446. The Politics of Sex. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as POL 446. The effect of sex on social and political institutions, public policies, and court rulings. Issues may include pornography, sexual and gender discrimination, domestic violence, reproductive rights and gay rights. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for POL 446. Gen. Ed. VIII.

**WGS 451. Principles and Politics of Human Rights. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as POL 451. Examines politics of human rights in theory and in practice. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for POL 451.

**WGS 495. Independent Study: Women and Gender Studies. (1-5 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: approval of Director of Women and Gender Studies. Study of a special topic in Women and Gender Studies. Proposal must be approved by faculty supervisor and Women and Gender Studies Director prior to enrolling. May be retaken to a maximum of ten hours.

**WGS 591. Women's Health. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as HEA 591/791. Analysis of the major health problems of contemporary women with a special emphasis on health promotion, disease prevention, and consumer health concerns. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for HEA 591/791.

**WGS 592. Human Sexuality. (3 Credits)**

A. Cross listed as HEA 592/792. Study of the biological, social, and psychological aspects of human sexuality. Directed primarily toward those individuals in situations which require them to assist others in understanding the broad impact of one's sexuality. Emphasis is placed upon student development of logical and reasoned justifications for their own value system. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for HEA 592/792.