

What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Science
Social Work
College of Social Work

Social work is a profession for those with a passion to help others. Social work practice consists of the professional application of social work values, principles, and techniques to one or more of the following ends: helping people obtain tangible services; providing counseling and psychotherapy with individuals, families, and groups; helping communities or groups provide or improve social and health services; and participating in relevant legislative processes. Many social workers specialize in serving a particular population or working in a specific setting, such as hospitals, schools, private practices, correctional facilities, community mental health agencies, and substance abuse treatment centers.¹

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Management and Industry

Social Services Administrator

Consultant

Grassroots Organizer

Health Professions

Clinical Social Worker

Child and Family Social Worker

Healthcare Social Worker

Advocacy/Intervention

Specialist

Rehabilitation Center Specialist

Drug Prevention Expert

Medical Doctor

Geriatric Social Worker

Physical/Occupational

Therapist

Education

Student Advocacy Specialist

Teacher K-12

Professor

Health and Wellness Educator

School Social Worker

Non-Profit/Advocacy

Intake Specialist

Case Manager

Grant Writer

Fundraiser

Government/Politics

Program Evaluator

Policy Developer

Researcher

Assessment Specialist

Youth Services Worker

Victim Assistance Programmer

Lawyer

Parole/Probation Officer

International Social Worker

**Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

Transferable Skills:

Law and Policy Awareness

Facilitating Group Discussion

Interviewing/Listening Skills

Motivating Others

Teaching/Instructing Others

Gathering Information

Research Skills

Negotiating

Judgment & Decision Making

Provide/Respond to Feedback

Verbal/Written Communication

Counseling Skills

Cultural Understanding

Emotional Intelligence

Service Orientation

Social Perceptiveness

Teamwork

Defining Needs

Developing Evaluation

Strategies

Identifying Problems

Setting Goals

Adaptability/Flexibility

Attention to Detail

Judgment & Decision Making

Mediating Conflict

Organization Skills

Prioritizing Tasks

Multi-tasking

Analytical/Critical Thinking

Problem Solving

**This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:*

<http://ccss.osu.edu>

Professional Links:

National Association of Social Workers: <http://www.naswdc.org/>

Clinical Social Work Association: <http://www.clinicalsocialworkassociation.org/>

School Social Work Association of America: <http://www.sswaa.org/>

State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage & Family Therapist Board: <http://cswmft.ohio.gov/>

Social Work Education: <http://www.cswe.org/>

