

## BSc Social Work

ACADEMIC YEAR  
2025/2026



**Online Programmes Delivery Department (OPDD)**

For further information after careful review of this document, please contact the [Programme Manager \(PM\)](#).

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO GUIDE COURSE SELECTION & REGISTRATION

Kindly review this document at the start of each semester  
for any adjustments to the schedule.



## New Students

Students who enrolled as of Academic Year 2025/2026 must follow the prescribed course of study and sequence given for their programme.

## Continuing Students

Students are required to successfully, complete all courses in Year 1 before they can proceed to undertake courses in Year 2. Please continue to follow the prescribed course of study given. Courses being repeated should be taken at the first available opportunity before you attempt to register for courses at the next Level.

## Advice For Managing Course Load

Most students carry between 1 – 3 courses per semester. **For the working adult**, we recommend that you **do not attempt more than three (3) courses** per semester and two (2) courses in summer. Plan wisely to suit your particular situation so you may perform at your full potential. Do not jeopardize your long-term goals by being unrealistic about what you can handle.

## IMPORTANT NOTE for New Students

Orientation is the first step to achieving academic and personal success at the UWI Global Campus. It supports you by assisting with your transition to the online environment. It will equip you with the needed navigational skills to function successfully online and provide pertinent information about the available services, go-to persons and responsibilities as an online student. It is imperative that you attend the online sessions offered by the Online Programmes Delivery Department (OPDD) as well as the session offered at your local site office.

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The **BSc Social Work** from The UWI Global Campus builds on a 50-year legacy of The University offering top-level and innovative training to social work practitioners across the Caribbean region. This brand-new online option is designed to allow participants to foster and demonstrate understanding of core theories and practices in social work through new ways of thinking and learning.

This programme reflects fundamental themes necessary for region-building and development, including advocacy for human rights and social justice for the advancement of communities, groups or individuals to release the human potential for self-empowerment. The programme is delivered online using the Global Campus “Learning Exchange” environment (Moodle/Learning Management System).

The **BSc Social Work programme** is a 90-credit undergraduate programme. The duration of the programme is three years full-time and five years part-time. In order to qualify for the award of the **BSc Social Work degree**, students must attain the credits at the respective levels as shown in the Table below.

Awards	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Credits
Degree	30 credits	30 credits	30 credits	90 credits

The **BSc Social Work programme** operates under a semester system.

- Semester 1 and 2 each, have thirteen (13) weeks of instruction plus an examination period.
- Summer session has seven (7) weeks of instruction plus the examination period.



Remember to check the programme-advising document before the start of registration and during the semester for any updates or additional information.

## Pre-requisites for Matriculation into the BSc Social Work Programme

- **Mathematics Requirements:** For entry to the Undergraduate programmes, an approved qualification in Mathematics is required. The minimum Mathematics requirement is a pass at CSEC or the equivalent. Candidates who do not meet this requirement must successfully complete the approved remedial Mathematics course (MATH0900). MATH0900 is offered in semester 1, 2 and summer.
- **English Language Requirements:** All undergraduate students must demonstrate proficiency in English Language before they can register for FOUN1001 - English for Academic Purposes. This can be done in the following ways:

- 1) Students must **EITHER** possess a passing grade in one of the following exams and courses (see [Exemptions](#)) **OR**
- 2) Successfully complete ONE of the two prerequisites:
  - a) **Current students** must pass the FOUN0003 - Communication and Use of English course (formally ACRS003), which is a prerequisite for FOUN1001.
  - b) **Applicants/ incoming students** must successfully pass the English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT) on the first attempt or must successfully complete the FOUN0003 course.

Note: The dates for the ELPT can be found in the [Academic Calendar](#). More information about the ELPT can be found on the [Global Campus website](#).

- **Foreign Language Requirements:** As of the 2025-2026 Academic Year, new/ incoming undergraduate students are required to satisfy the Foreign Language Requirement Regulation by successfully completing one (1) foreign language course (3 credits) to meet the requirements for graduation. This can be done in the following ways:
  - a) The Global Campus option: Successfully complete the SPAN0900 - Introductory Spanish offered by The UWI Global Campus. This may be substituted for the following course:
    - b) FOUN1101 - Caribbean Civilization
  - 2) The self-study option: Successfully complete TWO online courses offered by The Universitat Politècnica de València (UPV). The certificate option is required.
  - 3) Student exchange and study abroad option  
Important further information can be found on the Global Campus website.
- **Technology Requirement:** Students will need to have access to a computer with Internet access.

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## The BSc Social Work Pre-requisites for Matriculation

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	SEMESTER	PRE-REQUISITES & TIPS
<b>YEAR 1</b>			
FOUN1001	English for Academic Purposes	1, 2, Summer	<p style="text-align: center;">ELPT - English Language Proficiency*</p> <p>With effect from Academic year 2019-2020, all newly admitted students to the University of the West Indies will be required to register for the required Foundation Course in Academic Literacies (unless otherwise exempted) as part of their Level One undergraduate degree programme. Part-time students will be required to register for this course during the first year of their registration.</p> <p>*If your Offer Letter from Admissions indicates that you are required to take the ELPT then you must first pass this Pre-requisite test before you are allowed to do FOUN1001.</p> <p>If you are required to take ELPT please ensure that you do so at the first available offering.</p> <p><b>TIP:</b> If you already passed the ELPT you should register for FOUN1001 in Semester 1. To move on to Level 2 courses students must successfully pass this course.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
SOCI1002	Introduction to Sociology	1, 2	<p style="text-align: center;">Exempted if completed any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASc. Social Work</li> <li>• Diploma in Social Services</li> <li>• Certificate in Social Work (Mo-Bay &amp; Trinidad)</li> <li>• Certificate in Social Services (Mona)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
FOUN1101	Caribbean Civilization	1,2, Summer	<p style="text-align: center;">Exempted if completed ASc Social Work</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
FOUN1501	Foundation for Learning Success	1,2	<p style="text-align: center;">No Pre-Requisite</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TIP: We recommend that you take this course in Semester 2.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
SOWK1020	Fundamental Principles and Practices of Social Work I	1, Summer	<p style="text-align: center;">Exempted if completed any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASc. Social Work</li> <li>• Diploma in Social Services</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
SOWK 1001	Introduction to Social Work	1,2	<p style="text-align: center;">No Pre-Requisite</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
PHIL1902	Ethics for the Human Services	Summer	<p style="text-align: center;">Exempted if completed ASc.In Social Work</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
PSYC1000	Intro to Psychology: Social, Developmental and Abnormal	1,2	<p style="text-align: center;">Exempted if completed ASc.In Social Work</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
<b>YEAR 2</b>			
<p>Complete the courses FOUN1001 and FOUN1501 before moving to Level 2 courses. Pass all Level 1 prerequisite courses before registering at Level 2. Take your Level 2 courses in sequence. Complete <b>all of your Level 2 courses</b> before registering for Level 3. <b>Returning students</b> – Pay attention to prerequisite course requirements for courses at Level 3.</p>			
SOCI1005	Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Science	1	<p style="text-align: center;">CXC/CSEC/CAPE Mathematics or Mathematics (MATH0900), IYMS1001-Improving Your Maths Skills</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Exempted if completed ASc. In Social Work</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
SOWK1900	Social Work Practicum I	1,2	<p style="text-align: center;">Exempted if completed ASc. Social Work</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>
SOWK2010	Lifespan Diversity Within the Caribbean	2	<p style="text-align: center;">No Prerequisite</p> <p style="text-align: center;">100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)</p>

SOWK2011	Case Management	2	SOWK1900 Social Work Practicum I, SOWK1001 Introduction to Social Work 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK2012	The Family in Context	Summer	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK2020	Fundamental Principles & Practice of Social Work II	1	SOWK1020 Fundamental Principles and Practices of Social Work I 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK2014	Applied Social Research	2	SOCI1005 Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Science 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
PSYC2002	Abnormal Psychology	1	SOCI1005 Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Science 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK2015	Working with Communities	1	SOWK2011 Case Management 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK2016	Counselling Techniques	2	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK2021	Group Dynamics in Social Work	1	SOWK2011 Case Management 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK2018	Social Practicum II	2	SOWK1900 Social Work Practicum I 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)

### YEAR 3

**A finalizing student is:** a student, who has successfully passed all FOUNDATION courses, has followed the sequence of course offerings and has now completed most of the Level 3 courses of their programme.

**A Graduating Student is** a finalizing student who has a maximum of 3 courses left to complete by summer of the respective Academic Year.

SOWK3033	Mediation & Dispute Resolution	2	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3035	Social Work Practice in Health Care with a Caribbean Context	2	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3036	Development, Organization Management in the Social Services	Summer	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3038	Human Growth and Development: Adulthood to Very OldAge	Summer	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3037	Social Work Practicum III	1	SOWK2018 Social Practicum II 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3042	Social Work Practicum IV	2	SOWK3037 Social Work Practicum III 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3039	Death, Bereavement and Dying	2	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3040	Stress Management: Theory and Practice	1	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOWK3041	Social Work, Laws and Policies within the Caribbean Context	Summer	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)

SOWK3043	Crisis Management and the Social Summer Worker	Summer	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
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