ABOUT THE SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM
The University of Central Missouri offers years three and four of the Bachelor of Social Work at UCM Summit Center in Lee’s Summit, Mo. The required coursework and social work field practicum equip students with the knowledge, skills, and values for entry-level social work practice and for advancement to graduate-level study.

The degree program is a challenging course of study designed for students interested in pursuing a four-year social work degree. Students who complete the prerequisites and have an Associate of Arts degree enjoy a seamless transition to the BSW degree program. The last two years of study at UCM require coursework in the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Classes are offered Monday through Thursday nights at UCM Summit Center.

ACCREDITATION
The social work program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). CSWE accreditation is recognition that the program has successfully met national standards guiding baccalaureate social work education. Graduates of accredited programs possess up-to-date knowledge and skills needed to work with groups, organizations, and communities, as well as individuals and families.

UCM graduates are eligible for licensure at the baccalaureate level in Missouri and Kansas. Graduation from an accredited program is required for social work licensure and/or registration in all states that license baccalaureate social workers. Graduates of accredited programs may apply for advanced standing admission to graduate social work programs enabling them to complete the MSW degree in a shorter time period, typically 12 months.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS
The social work profession assists people by strengthening and improving their abilities to meet a wide variety of life’s challenges. Social workers are involved in helping people to resolve emotional, social, and economic problems. They also address the need for changing systems and public policies.

Social workers are employed in a wide variety of community agencies and social institutions and provide services to individuals across the life span, from birth to death.

BSW graduates find employment in public and private agencies providing services to clients at every stage of the life span; community mental health services to children and adults; institutions providing health care; and community organizations that provide an array of services to children and families, adults and the elderly. Graduates may educate the community, influence public policies, and effect change in systems to improve well-being and to promote social justice.

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REQUIRED COURSES
All general education requirements must be fulfilled. See the UCM undergraduate catalog or an advisor for more information.

A grade of C or better must be earned for all required courses.

Prerequisite Courses from UCM or another accredited institution.
See www.ucmo.edu/corequiv for transfer equivalency information.

BIOL 2010 Human Biology or General Biology with human biology content
PSY 1100 General Psychology
SOC 1800 General Sociology
SOWK 2600 Introduction to Social Welfare and Social Work

Social Work Courses at UCM Summit Center.
These social work courses are required for all BSW majors during the junior and senior years.

SOWK 3601 Social Work Practice and the Agency Experience
SOWK 3605 Methods of Inquiry and Evaluation for Social Workers
SOWK 3610 Social Work Practice: Basic Skills
SOWK 3612 Human Behavior Across the Life Span
SOWK 4610 Special Topics in Social Work

Or

SOWK 4620 Social Services and Policy with Older Adults
SOWK 4612 Human Behavior and Social Systems
SOWK 4630 Social Work Practice: Intervention with Families and Groups
SOWK 4640 Social Work Practice: Intervention with Communities and Organizations
SOWK 4650 Social Policy and Economic Justice
SOWK 4660 Field Practicum
SOC 2805 Introduction to Social Research
SOC 3825 Race and Ethnic Relations
PSY 4440 Abnormal Psychology
SOWK 4661 Field Practicum Seminar

Free Electives: 21 hours
Minimum Total: 120 hours

IMPORTANT WEBSITES
Office of Admissions: www.ucmo.edu/admissions
Department of Communication Disorders and Social Work: www.ucmo.edu/socialwork
Harmon College of Business and Professional Studies: www.ucmo.edu/hcbps
Departmental Scholarships: www.ucmo.edu/socialwork/scholarships.cfm
University-wide Scholarships: www.ucmo.edu/scholarships
(Application deadline is usually March 1 for scholarships for the following year.)

Student Transfer Information: www.ucmo.edu/transfer
Transfer Equivalency Information: www.ucmo.edu/corequiv
Accessibility Services: www.ucmo.edu/access
Office of Career Services: www.ucmo.edu/career
Student Financial Services: www.ucmo.edu/sfs
Student Accounts: www.ucmo.edu/sfs/pay
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