

LAW MINOR

The law and social work minor consists of a combination of classes offered through the School of Social Work, along with law classes taught by the Law School faculty. The emerging intersection of law and social work provides an opportunity for connections between social work practice and broader struggles to advance human rights and social, economic, and environmental justice. The minor in law and social work will provide undergraduate students with the opportunity to integrate expertise from both the Social Work and Law disciplines examining subjects including the inter-working of major social welfare programs, law as an evolving social institution, the lifecycle of a case in court, and the fundamentals of legal analysis

Practitioners with this minor will gain the knowledge needed to advocate for social justice reform at the micro, mezzo and macro levels in subjects such as criminal justice, policy and community practice, child welfare, aging, health, mental health, and housing. With an emphasis on the relationship between law and social work practice, graduates will develop the skills needed to utilize these interdependent fields including logical and critical thinking skills, oral and written communication, reading comprehension and analysis. Social work students who complete this minor will be well-positioned to enter any number of fields, such as state and local government, education, immigration, human resources, or advocacy.

The minor in law requires a minimum of 17 credits. To achieve the minor, social work students must maintain a 3.5 cumulative GPA, and complete the following required courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Law courses		9
LEX 5000	Law in Social Context	
LEX 5010	Law and Harm	
LEX 5020	Legal Procedure	
Social Work courses		8
SW 4710	Social Welfare in the United States: Current Programs	
SW 6500	Social Work and the Law	
Select one course from the following list:		
SW 5720	Social Services for Older Adults	
SW 5755	Introduction to Child Welfare	
SW 6100	Child Welfare and Social Systems: Context for Case Management Practice	
SW 6535	Youth, Delinquency, and Juvenile Justice	
SW 6585	Introduction to International Social Work	
Total Credits		17