TRANSFER GUIDE Catalog Years: 2025-2026

Radford University Bachelor of Social Work in Social Work Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Social Work

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS				Complete at Radford University		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY			BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 100	1-2	SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation		SOWK 101 Intro to Social Work	3	If not completed at the community college
ENGL 111	3	ENG 111 College Comp I		SOWK 220 Intro to Social Justice	3	Pre-professional course, should be taken the first semester after transfer. SOWK 291 BSW Bridge course can be taken as transfer student
ENGL 112	3	ENG 112 College Comp II		SOCY 121	3	Not offered at the community colleges
General Education or Elective	3	Any UCGS Art or Humanities	These two courses must come from two different disciplines.	ENGL 306 Professional Writing	3	Offered Spring, Summer, and Fall
General Education or Elective	3	Any UCGS Art, Humanities, or Literature course		SOWK 300 HBSE Life Course	3	Offered Fall
SOCY 110	3	SOC 200 Intro to Sociology		SOWK 301 HBSE Theories	3	Offered Spring
General Education or Elective	3	Any UCGS History		SOWK 350 Research	3	Offered Spring and Fall
BIOL 105	4	BIO 101 Introduction to Biology		SOWK 422 Individual Practice	4	Offered Fall
MATH 100	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	Recommend completing MTH 154 to meet general education requirements	SOWK 423 Groups	3	Offered Fall if not taken at the community college
PSYC 121	3	PSY 200 Intro to Psychology		SOWK 424 Organizational and Policy Practice	3	Offered Fall

STAT 130	3-4	Any UCGS transfer course	Recommend completing MTH 155 to meet degree requirements	SOWK 426 Case Management	3	Offered Spring
PSYC 343 or PSYC 361	3	PSY 216 Social Psychology or PSY 225 Theories of Personality		PSYC 343 Social Psychology	3	If PSY 216 was not completed at the community college.
SOCY 121	3-4	SOC 211 Cultural Anthropology or BIO 102 Intro to Biology II	Degree requires SOCY 121, may not be offered at community college		3	
PSYC 439 or PSYC 230	3	PSY 215 Psychopathology or PSY 230 Developmental Psychology	Recommend completing PSYC 230 (transfers as elective but is required for PSCY 343) PSY 215 transfers as PSYC 439	SOWK 321 Social Welfare Policy	3	Offered Spring
SOWK 101	3	MEN 100 Introduction to Human Services	Required toward degree	SOWK 330 Community Practice	3	Offered Fall and Spring
SOCY 331	3-6	Select 1-2 courses from: ENG 210 Advanced Composition* SOC 266 Race and Ethnicity MEN 101 and 102 Mental Health Skill Training* Additional course from previous two rows.	Recommend completing SOC 266 to count toward degree requirements	SOWK 485 Intro to Professional Behaviors	1	Offered Spring and Fall; enroll the semester before 489 Field Education and 490 Capstone
	At least 12		To count toward degree requirements, recommend completing:	SOWK 489	12	Final semester; take in Spring or Summer

			-Either PSY 216 Social Psychology or 225 Theories of Personality, from above, whichever was not completed			
			previously			
			-PSY 215 Abnormal Psychology from above, if not completed previously			
			-MEN 100 Introduction to Human Services, if offered at the community college (transfers as SOWK 101 and			
			meets a degree requirement) -MEN 221 if offered at the community college (transfers as SOWK 423)			
			Students who have completed all prerequisites and community college requirements should take additional courses from the rows above or transfer elective courses to fulfill the 60-62 credit requirement			
				SOWK 490	3	Final semester; take in Spring or Summer
				Open credit hours		Additional credits to reach 120 total credit hours and/or complete minor requirements.
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62			CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 58-60			

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

Guaranteed Admission Agreement

By meeting the following criteria, students who complete the prescribed curriculum and meet the criteria below are guaranteed admission into Radford University and directly into Social Work.

- Earn a transfer associate degree based on the Social Work Curriculum
- Earn a minimum of 2.8 GPA for the associate degree
- Good academic standing at current institution

Please visit the <u>TransferVirginia.org</u> portal to find course requirements for different majors and **Transfer Guides** that outline course requirements for specific majors.

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- University Transfer Center: https://admissions.radford.edu
- Admission Application: By March 1 for priority fall admission and November 1 for priority spring admission at https://www.radford.edu/admissions/apply/index.html
- Financial Aid: https://www.radford.edu/fin-aid, FAFSA priority deadline March 1.
- FAFSA Free Application for Federal Student Aid: https://studentaid.gov

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered, complete your first math and English courses in your first year. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center at www.TransferVirginia.org
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and an admissions counselor at RU within your first year.

IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- A Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.) offers a professional degree for a variety of in-demand career options that include case manager, child welfare specialist, family service worker, mental health aide, substance abuse worker, and rehabilitation specialist.
- Full-time and part-time plans are available.
- Small classes and faculty advising.
- Variety of field internship sites available.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- Associate Transfer Degree Completion: The completion of the transfer-oriented degree program will satisfy the REAL Curriculum (lower division/general education) requirements. Students will need to complete all other University, college, and departmental requirements in order to obtain the baccalaureate degree from RU.
- Dual Enrollment Completion of Associate Degree in HS: Students completing the associate degree in high school should apply using the freshman application. If admitted, the student will receive the benefits associated with the transferable associate degree (as noted prior).

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Main campus is located in the city of Radford and our Radford University Carilion campus is located in Roanoke. RU is well-known for strong faculty/student bonds, vibrant student life and a commitment to student support.
- Situated in the stunning landscape of southwest Virginia, there are plenty of nearby opportunities to explore the outdoors.
- With 70+ bachelor's degree programs across a variety of disciplines, the classes at Radford are hands-on and designed to help you prepare for your chosen career path.
- Transfer students have the option to live on-campus or off-campus within the local area.
- Over 80% of students receive some form of financial aid.
- With 16 Division I teams and 300+ student organizations.

Learn more about our university at www.TransferVirginia.org

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Completing your Associate transfer degree post-high school satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the chance of completing your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid at that college and have limited your future financial aid at Radford University?

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at www.TransferVirginia.org

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- The BSW Program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.
- Students engage in learning experiences through the completion of a full semester internship and capstone course.
- Students have opportunities for interdisciplinary and research symposiums.
- The School of Social Work offers interdisciplinary minors in Social Justice and Health & Aging.
- We offer full tuition payment through our Child Welfare Stipend Program.
- BSW graduates are eligible for Qualified Mental Health Profession (QMHP) certification through the Virginia Board of Counseling.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

• Of students who apply, about 65% of transfer applicants are accepted to Radford University and about 80% of the entering transfer class comes from Virginia community colleges.

Learn more about applying at www.TransferVirginia.org

DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

- Continue your education at Radford University using our early entry for the MSW and advanced standing option.
- Radford University MSW program options include full-time or part-time, in-person or online.

OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- Complete the Plan of Study with a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA. All program-specific and minor courses require a minimum letter grade of "C" or higher.
- As a minimum, 120 semester hours are required for graduation.

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