



## Honors Bachelor Social Work with a Major Concentration in Indigenous Learning (HBSW-INDI)

**YEARS 1 & 2:** Includes introductory Social Work Courses and a variety of Indigenous Learning courses and electives as well as the application process into year 3.

### YEAR 1

#### Required Courses

SW 1100 (1) – Introduction to Social Welfare  
INDI 1100 (1) – Introduction to Indigenous Learning  
One FCE Elective in Indigenous Learning (1)  
Two FCE Electives (non-Indigenous/ non-Social Work) (2)

#### Considerations

- Popular choices: Psychology, Sociology, Women's Studies, and more!
- Take intro courses (1100) in disciplines you
- Take courses that will help you in the long run- intro to academic writing!

### YEAR 2

#### Required Courses

SW 2011 (.5) – Foundations of Social Work Practice  
SW 2012 (.5) – Human Development  
INDI 2805 (1) – Indigenous Canadian World Views  
INDI 2012 – Working with Indigenous Knowledge (.5)  
and one of the following:  
INDI 2433, INDI 3110 (either section), or INDI 3315 (.5)  
One FCE Elective in Indigenous Learning at the 2nd or 3rd Year Level (1)  
One FCE Elective (non-Indigenous/non-Social Work) (1)

#### Considerations

- You are only allowed a maximum of 7 FCEs at a first year level.

### APPLICATION PROCESS:

Students must apply for admission to the Third Year of the HBSW. Four Year Program in January of Year 2 of the HBSW Program. A minimum cumulative average of 70%, as well as a minimum 70% average in Social Work courses is required to apply to Year 3 of the Program.

Your application is due in December of your 2nd year. Guidance is provided to help you prepare for a successful application.

Letters of acceptance are sent out in the summer.

If you are not accepted your Social Work advisor will contact you to discuss next steps!

**YEARS 3 & 4:** The final two Professional Years will focus on developing social work counselling skills, theory and research knowledge as well as two field placement opportunities focused on practice experience with Indigenous people and Indigenous focused community organizations.

### YEAR 3

#### Required Courses

SOWK 3100 – Social Work Interviewing and Communication Skills

SW 3401 (1) – Theory of Social Work Practice I

SW 3500 (1.5) – Field Instruction I

SW 4610 (.5) – Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations

One FCE Electives in Social Work = two (.5) Social Work elective courses (1)

#### Considerations

- Planning for your third year placement will begin in the fall term with your field coordinator! You will begin your 50-day placement in January.
- Social work electives in Mental Health, Addictions, Child Welfare, Palliative Care and more!
- SW 3500 or SW 4500 must involve practice experience with Indigenous people.

### YEAR 4

#### Required Courses

SW 4401 (1) – Theory of Social Work Practice II

SW 4500 (1.5) – Field Instruction II

SW 4212 (.5) – Social Policy and Social Welfare

SW 4411 (.5) – Social Work Practice and Indigenous People

SW 4405 (1) – Research in Social Work

One half-course elective Indigenous Learning at a 3rd or 4th year level (.5)

#### Considerations

- Planning for your fourth year placement will begin in summer prior to your fourth year! You will begin your 60-day placement in September!
- Check in with your Social Work Advisor to ensure you are not missing any requirements.
- Submit your intent to graduate from February-March of your fourth year.
- Lakehead Masters of Social Work applications due in February.



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