

# THE CARDINAL PLAN FOR: **SOCIAL WORK**

	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
COURSEWORK	<p>Meet with HHS Advisor Complete all Basic Skills Visit the Social Work website to review the Course Sequence plan</p>	<p>Prepare to submit your SW application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet with your assigned faculty advisor</li> <li>• Visit the Writing Center for specific help with the writing portion of the application</li> </ul>	<p>Review Social Work specific scholarship opportunities at SVSU. Attend field meetings the Winter semester prior to your final year. Complete all pre-final year course work and minor</p>	<p>Interprofessional education through MegaSim participation</p>
GLOBAL VIEWS	<p>Register to vote. Visit the website <a href="https://votingissocialwork.org/">https://votingissocialwork.org/</a></p>	<p>Attend the Study Abroad Fair and consider opportunities for learning more about other cultures</p>	<p>Identify at faculty member you would be interested in working with on an Independent Study Research Project</p>	<p>Present your research at a national conference</p>
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	<p>Complete 40 hours of volunteer work in a social services organization</p>	<p>Develop at least three professional or academic references – talk to your faculty advisor for more information</p>	<p>Attend a Social Justice Rapid Response event</p>	<p>Seek a leadership position in the Social Justice Rapid Response organization Complete community advocacy project</p>
CAMPUS ENGAGEMENT	<p>Consider joining SSWO (Student Social Work Organization)</p>	<p>Attend the Fall Welcome event and other Department events that introduce you to the program and peers</p>	<p>Seek a leadership position in SSWO</p>	<p>Volunteer to host an information table at the Fall Welcome Event and Agency Field Placement Day to present information on your field placement agency</p>
CAREER PREPARATION	<p>Volunteer in the Social Work program</p>	<p>Join NASW-Michigan Develop at least three professional references</p>	<p>Go over your resume with Career Services Consider a Masters Degree in Social Work</p>	<p>Develop connections to complete letters of recommendation for graduate school or job seeking</p>

***A plan for a successful college experience.***

## **BEYOND GRADUATION**

There are many opportunities. You may choose to attend graduate school for your Master of Social Work (MSW) degree or another graduate degree. SVSU has an excellent accredited MSW program that can be completed in as little as one year after graduating with your BSW.

If you consider starting your career after graduation, there are many positions in social work at the BSW level. You may choose to work as a case manager, education, service or supports coordinator, and many other opportunities.

*Our department is certified or accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) which is a requirement for licensure in Michigan and most other states.*

