

TRANSFER PATHWAY GUIDE

FOR

Associate in Applied Science in Human and Social Services to Murray State University's Bachelor of Science in Social Work

Overview

Completion of the following curriculum will satisfy the requirements for Associate in Applied Science in Human and Social Services at the Kentucky Community and Technical College System and leads to the Bachelor of Science in Social Work at Murray State University.

Admission Requirements

Murray State University admission requirements for domestic first-time transfer students can be found online [here](#).

Degree Requirements

At least 42 semester hours of the 120 hours required for a baccalaureate degree must be earned in courses at the 300-level or above (upper-level courses). Transfer courses at the 100- or 200-level that are direct equivalents of upper-level Murray State courses will be considered upper-level credit. Transfer courses at the 100- or 200-level that may be substituted for upper-level Murray State courses or requirements will not be considered upper-level credit.

The baccalaureate degree candidate must have a GPA of at least 2.00; Murray State requires all Social Work candidates to have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 (1) in all credits presented for graduation whether earned at Murray State or elsewhere (cumulative GPA); (2) in all credits completed at Murray State; and (3) in the courses for each major, minor or area. Required courses within the major must have a grade of C or better.

General Transfer Requirements

Students can apply for Murray State online here: <https://www.murraystate.edu/admissions/apply.aspx>. Transfer requirements, scholarship information, and other relevant transfer information can also be found at www.murraystate.edu/admissions/transfer. Once the student has been accepted at Murray State and they receive their student ID (M#), they can apply for scholarships within our student portal, MyGate.

For specific questions concerning the transfer, students can contact the Transfer Center at (270)-809-3350 or msu.transfercenter@murraystate.edu.

A list of Murray State's General Education courses can be found here: <https://www.murraystate.edu/academics/UniversityStudies/courses.aspx>

The general University Scholarship application is due on or before February 5th before the Fall semester entry. All students must complete the FAFSA to be eligible for scholarships.

KCTCS Human and Social Services AAS TO Murray State University's Bachelor of Science in Social Work CHECKLIST

Kentucky Community and Technical College System

Category 1: KCTCS General Education Requirements (15-33 hours)

KCTCS Course	Course or Category	Credits	Murray State Course	Completed
ENG 101	Writing I	3	ENG 105	
ENG 102	Writing II	3		
COM 181 or COM 252	Basic Public Speaking or Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	3	COM 161	
PSY 110	General Psychology	3	PSY 180	
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 133	
TBS XXX	Social Behavioral Science (American Govt strongly encouraged by MSU)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Heritage/Humanities Course	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Quantitative Reasoning Course	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Sciences	3	TBD XXX	
Subtotal - Minimum General Education Requirements for AAS		27		
<i>For full Category Certification: Students may wish to pursue full category certification at KCTCS. Please complete the additional courses listed below to complete category certification prior to transfer.</i>				
TBS XXX	Second Heritage/Humanities Course	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Natural Sciences Lab	1	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Additional Quantitative Reasoning OR Natural Sciences	3	TBD XXX	
Subtotal General Education Courses		34		

TBS XXX means to be selected by KCTCS student.

TBD XXX means to be determined by Murray State University based on course selected.

Category 2: KCTCS AAS Requirements

KCTCS Course	Course or Category	Credits	Murray State Course	Completed
CIT 105	Introduction to Computers	0-3	TBD XXX	
HMS 101	Human Services Survey	3	SWK 190	
HMS 102	Values of Human Services in a Contemporary Society	3	TBD XXX	
HMS 103	Theories and Techniques in Human Services	3	TBD XXX	
HMS 104	Group Dynamics for Human Services	3	TBD XXX	
HMS/SWK 220	Cultural Diversity in Human Services	3	TBD XXX	
Select one: HMS 248 HMS 251 COE 199	Foundational Skills in Para-Professional Practice Clinical Practices in Human Services Cooperative Education: (Topic)	3	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Technical Courses	6	TBD XXX	
TBS XXX	Electives	6	TBD XXX	
Subtotal AAS Requirement Courses		30-33		

** Students must demonstrate computer/digital literacy skills, either through completing a course or passing a test.

Minimum grade of "C" required in HMS 101, HMS 102, HMS 103, HMS 104, HMS 220 and HMS 248 or HMS 251.

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Major Requirements for Bachelor of Science in Social Work

Murray State Course	Course	Credits	KCTCS Course	Taken at KCTCS
SWK 100T	Transitions	1		
SWK 190	Introduction to Social Work	3	SWK 124 or HMS 101	
SWK 201	Social Work and Social Welfare	3	SWK 222	
SWK 225	Human Diversity	3		
SWK 301	Human Behavior and the Social Environment I	3		
SWK 302	Human Behavior and the Social Environment II	3		
SWK 303	Principles and Methods of Research	3		
SWK 310	Social Work Practice I	3		
SWK 312	Social Work Practice II	3		
SWK 313	Social Work Practice III	3		
SWK 350	Social Welfare Policies and Services	3		
SWK 498	Senior Seminar	3		
SWK 499	Field Practicum	12		
TBS XXX	Social Work Electives including at least 3 300+ level: SWK 100-599, excluding SWK 500	15		
Subtotal Murray State Credit Hours		64		
Total Baccalaureate Degree Credit Hours		121-131		

** Transitions courses are waived for students who transfer 36 hours or more to Murray State University.

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