

# RCTC PROGRAM PLAN

## PRE-SOCIAL WORK TRANSFER PATHWAY

Associate of Science

### I. MINNESOTA TRANSFER CURRICULUM (MnTC)/

#### **GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.....41 CREDITS**

*Complete at least 30 credits in courses from the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC), including all courses listed. You must complete at least one course in six of the ten goal areas.*

#### **GOAL 1: WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATION .....11 CR**

COMM 1114, Fundamentals of Public Speaking, 3 cr  
ENGL 1117, Reading and Writing Critically I, 4 cr  
ENGL 1118, Reading and Writing Critically II, 4 cr

#### **GOAL 3: NATURAL SCIENCES .....7 CR**

BIOL 1110, Human Biology, 4 cr  
Credits from MnTC Goal 3 (cannot be BIOL)

#### **GOAL 4: MATHEMATICS/LOGICAL REASONING.....4 CR**

MATH 2208, Fundamentals of Statistics, 4 cr OR MATH 1090, Statway Statistics II, 4 cr

#### **GOAL 5: HISTORY AND THE SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORIAL SCIENCES .....10 CR**

PSYC 2618, General Psychology, 4 cr  
PSYC 2626, Human Growth and Development, 3 cr  
SOC 1614, Introduction to Sociology, 3 cr

#### **GOAL 6: HUMANITIES - THE ARTS, LITERATURE AND PHILOSOPHY .....3 CR**

Credits from MnTC Goal 6

#### **GOAL 7: HUMAN DIVERSITY.....3 CR**

COMM 1130, Interpersonal Communication, 3 cr

#### **GOAL 9: ETHICAL/CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY.....3 CR**

POLS 1615, Introduction to American Government, 3 cr

### II. REQUIRED SPECIFIC CONTENT AREA COURSES.....6 CREDITS

HS 1522, Introduction to Human Services, 3 cr  
HS 1585, Human Service Field Experience, 3 cr

### III. PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM-RELATED ELECTIVE COURSES.....13 CREDITS

Select Human Services (HS) courses

**TOTAL .....60 CREDITS**

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## **PROGRAM OUTCOMES:**

Upon completion of the Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway program at RCTC, students will achieve the following outcomes:

- Recognize the background of humans and their environment, genetics, and evolution.
- Analyze data and sample populations.
- Recognize the complexity of the structures and dynamics of society.
- Understand the principles of psychology as well as the ethical issues involved in the study of behavior and mental processes.
- Define physical, cognitive, and social-emotional development from infancy through late adulthood.
- Acknowledge how diversity and difference characterize and shape the human experience.
- Describe social welfare as a global social institution linked to the workings of other institutions and shaped by the intersection of politics, economics, social circumstances and value systems which impact different people in different ways.
- Gain experiential learning in a social service setting, a minimum of 120 hours and evaluated by a site supervisor.
- Demonstrate the values of the Social Work Profession as well as the historical development of the profession at an introductory level.

## **ADDITIONAL NOTES:**

**PURPOSE:** The Pre-Social Work Transfer Pathway A.S. offers students the opportunity to complete an Associate of Science degree with course credits that directly transfer to designated Social Work bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State universities. The curriculum is designed so that students completing the pathway degree and transferring to one of the seven Minnesota State Universities\* enter the university with junior-year status. The human services professionally related electives within the pathway provide students with knowledge and skills in the broad-based helping professions.

\*Universities within the Minnesota State system include Bemidji State University; Metropolitan State University; Minnesota State University, Mankato; Minnesota State University Moorhead; Southwest Minnesota State University; St. Cloud State University; and Winona State University.

This transfer pathway degree will transfer to the following designated baccalaureate degree majors:

- At Bemidji State University:  
Social Work, BS
- At Metropolitan State University:  
Social Work, BSW
- At Minnesota State University, Mankato:  
Social Work, BSSW
- At Minnesota State University, Moorhead:  
Social Work, BSW
- At Southwest Minnesota State University:  
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At St. Cloud State University:  
Social Work, BS

At Winona State University:  
Social Work, BSW

## **Notice of Minnesota Background Check Requirement**

Minnesota Statute 245C requires that students who have contact with individuals in licensed institutions complete an annual background study with the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Individuals who do not pass the background check will not be allowed to participate in clinical activities. A list of disqualifying offenses is available at <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=245C.15>. Information about completing the background study will be available from program faculty.

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