

From: **Northern Lights College (NLC)**  
Social Services Worker Diploma

To: **University of Northern BC (UNBC)**  
Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

The following list of course equivalents will appear on the transfer credit summary for students who have successfully completed **Northern Lights College's Social Services Worker Diploma** and pursue a **Bachelor of Social Work at UNBC** seeking admission in **September of 2021**.

Information in this handout is unofficial and should be used as a guide only. For questions regarding admission to UNBC or course selection please contact Student Recruitment & Advising at 250-960-6306 or [advising@unbc.ca](mailto:advising@unbc.ca).

NOTE: As per UNBC Undergraduate Calendar Regulation number 14, "Students must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours of upper division UNBC course work to receive a UNBC degree."

<b>NLC Requirement</b>	<b>NLC Course Name</b>	<b>UNBC Equivalence<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>Semester One:</b>		
ENGL 100	Academic Writing	ENGL 170-3
SSWD 110	Introduction to Social Service Work	Part of Block Credit
or IHSW 101	Introduction to Human Service Work	SOCW 200 <sup>2</sup>
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology I	PSYC 101-3
One of the following:		
ANTH 101	Cultural and Social Anthropology I	ANTH 102-3
ANTH 102	Cultural and Social Anthropology II	ANTH 1XX-3
CRIM 101	Introduction to Criminology	SOSC 1XX-3
CRIM 103	Psychological Explanations of Criminal and Deviant Behaviour	SOSC 1XX-3
CRIM 131	Introduction to the Criminal Justice System	SOSC 1XX-3
CRIM 135	Intro to Canadian Law and Legal Institutions	SOSC 1XX-3
CRIM 210	Youth and the Criminal Justice System	SOSC 2XX-3
IHSW 103	Indigenous Wellness & Healthy Practice	FNST 1XX-3
IHSW 104	Social & Health Issues in Indigenous Communities	FNST 1XX-3
PHIL 110	Introduction to Logic & Critical Thinking	PHIL 200-3
SOCI 101	Introduction to Sociology I	SOSC 1XX-3
SOCI 102	Introduction to Sociology II	SOSC 1XX-3
SOSC 220	Research Methods for the Social Sciences	SOSC 2XX-3
One open elective (choose one elective course in any area at the baccalaureate level) <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Semester Two:</b>		
One of:		
ENGL 105	Nonfictional Prose	ENGL 1XX-3
or ENGL 110	Intro to Workplace Communications (Online)	COMM 200-3
or ENGL 111	Poetry and Drama	ENGL 102-3 or ENGL 1XX-3
or ENGL 112	Prose Fiction	ENGL 103-3
SSWD 120	Ethics and Practice	Part of Block Credit
PSYC 102	Introduction to Psychology II	PSYC 102-3
One of the following:		
ANTH 101	Cultural and Social Anthropology I	ANTH 102-3
ANTH 102	Cultural and Social Anthropology II	ANTH 1XX-3
CRIM 101	Introduction to Criminology	SOSC 1XX-3

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CRIM 103	Psychological Explanations of Criminal and Deviant Behaviour	SOSC 1XX-3
CRIM 131	Introduction to the Criminal Justice System	SOSC 1XX-3
CRIM 135	Intro to Canadian Law and Legal Institutions	SOSC 1XX-3
CRIM 210	Youth and the Criminal Justice System	SOSC 2XX-3
IHSW 103	Indigenous Wellness & Healthy Practice	FNST 1XX-3
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**Semester Three:**

SOWK 200	Introduction to Social Work Practice	SOCW 200-3
SSWD 210	Methods of Intervention and Practice Areas	Part of Block Credit
WGST 100	Women and Gender Studies	WMST 100-3
or PHIL 111	Contemporary Moral Issues	PHIL 1XX-3
PSYC 211	Developmental Psychology	PSYC 211-3
or HDEC 101 & HDEC 104	Human Development 1 & 2	SOCW 421-3 <sup>4</sup>

One of:

SSWD 215	Interpersonal Communications	SOCW 1XX-3 <sup>2</sup>
or PSYC 220	Interpersonal Communications	SOSC 1XX-3
or ECTA 121	Interpersonal Communications	ENGL 1XX-3

**Semester Four:**

SOWK 201	Introduction to Social Welfare	SOCW 201-3
SSWD 220	Practicum and Seminar	Part of Block Credit
HIST 104	Canada, Post-Confederation	HIST 211-3
Or POLI 101	The Government of Canada	POLS 200-3

One of:

FNST 100	Aboriginal Peoples of Canada	FNST 100-3
or FNST 102	Treaties and Aboriginal Rights	FNST 1XX-3
or ANTH 202	Ethnography of Canada's First Nations People	ANTH 2XX-3
or ANTH 203	Contemporary Canadian Native Peoples	ANTH 2XX-3 or FNST 100-3

One of:

PSYC 235	Structure and Dynamics of the Family	SOSC 2XX-3
or SOCI 204	The Family in Canada	SOSC 2XX-3
or IHSW 102	Indigenous Family and Parenting	FNST 1XX-3
or ECEC 201	Building Professional-Family Partnerships	SOCW 1XX-3 <sup>2</sup>

**Notes:** Students should consider post-diploma plans when choosing program-specific and open electives. In particular, students moving on to degree programs are advised to consult with receiving institutions to ensure students have selected required courses for a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program.

Students wanting to have an indigenous focus on Indigenous studies should select four of the following courses:

- ANTH 202: Ethnography of Canada's First Nations People (3 credits/45 hours)
- ANTH 203: Contemporary Canadian Native Peoples (3 credits/45 hours)
- IHSW 101: Introduction to Human Service Work (3 credits/45 hours)
- IHSW 102: Indigenous Family and Parenting (3 credits/45 hours)
- IHSW 103: Indigenous Wellness and Healthy Practices (3 credits/45 hours)
- IHSW 104: Social and Health Issues in Indigenous Communities (3 credits/45 hours)
- IHSW 105: Community Helping Project (3 credits/45 hours)
- FNST 100: Aboriginal Peoples of Canada (3 credits/45 hours)
- FNST 102: Treaties and Aboriginal Rights (3 credits/45 hours)

\*\* Students who have completed the first 3 semesters of NLC's Early Childhood Education and Care diploma program (fifteen three-credit courses), and graduates of NLC's Education Assistant Certificate, will be granted course credit for SSWD 110; also, as indicated above, HDEC 101 & HDEC 104 will substitute for PSYC 211, ECTA 121 for SSWD 215, and ECEC 201 for either PSYC 235 or SOCI 204. These courses may impact transfer to other institutions; check the BCCAT transfer guide for information about transfer credit at <https://www.bctransferguide.ca/>

<sup>1</sup> Course equivalencies were determined through the articulation process and are listed on the BC Transfer Guide, [www.bctransferguide.ca](http://www.bctransferguide.ca)

Student will need to choose coursework appropriately so as not to receive duplicate Transfer Credit.

<sup>2</sup> Students who take this course will be short 3 credits of Liberal Arts and Sciences. This course may, however, be used to complete a UNBC Degree requirement course.

<sup>3</sup> Students will need to pick coursework that transfers to UNBC and that is not Social Work coursework – please use the BC Transfer Guide to determine coursework

<sup>4</sup> Students who take this course will be short 3 credits of Liberal Arts and Sciences that they will need to make up before entering the UNBC Social Work program.

<sup>5</sup> Please note that substitutions for Diploma requirements may impact the number of Liberal Arts and Sciences credits that transfer to UNBC.

### Recommended courses to take when given a choice as noted above:

NLC Course	NLC Course Name	UNBC Equivalence <sup>1</sup>
FNST 100	Aboriginal Peoples of Canada	FNST 100-3
WGST 100	Women and Gender Studies	WMST 100-3

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Student will need to choose coursework appropriately so as not to receive duplicate Transfer Credit.

Note: Above based on NLC 2019 Social Services Worker Diploma webpage information.

### Transfer Credit Breakdown – Admission for September 2022:

Total Transferable Credits<sup>1</sup> – 60 credits

Liberal Arts & Sciences<sup>2</sup> – 42 credits

Diploma Completion – 18 credits

<sup>1</sup> Transfer credit is based on students taking all of the recommended course work noted above.

<sup>2</sup> Students are required to complete a minimum of 48 credit hours of liberal arts and sciences coursework. This breakdown is based on accreditation and is necessary to obtain a Bachelor of Social Work Degree from UNBC.

**Please note:** Completing this diploma will result in being 6 credits short of the Liberal Arts & Sciences admission requirement for UNBC. These credits can be completed while you are working on your UNBC Bachelor of Social Work Degree, these credits **must** be completed before you will be eligible to graduate from UNBC.

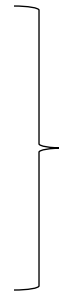
Sample of **UNBC Calendar** requirements for the Bachelor of Social Work and how NLC Social Services Worker Diploma, coursework *may be* used towards completion of the degree at UNBC<sup>1</sup>:

UNBC Calendar Information, Course Number & Course Name	NLC Equivalence <sup>1</sup>
<p>Undergraduate students are required to take 60 credit hours of Upper-Division Social Work courses. The minimum requirement for a Bachelor of Social Work is 120 credit hours.</p>	
<p>Students applying to the School of Social Work will have completed the following four BSW course prerequisites:</p>	
<p>SOCW 200-3 Introduction to Social Work Practice</p>	<p>✓ Completed at NLC, SOWK 200</p>
<p>SOCW 201-3 Introduction to Social Welfare</p>	<p>✓ Completed at NLC, SOWK 201</p>
<p>FNST 100-3 The Aboriginal Peoples of Canada</p>	<p>- Can be completed at NLC, FNST 100</p>
<p>WMST 100-3 Introduction to Women’s Studies</p>	<p>- Can be completed at NLC, WGST 100</p>
<p><b>Program Requirements – 300 Level</b></p>	
<p>SOCW 300-3 Social Work Communication Skills</p>	<p>⎵</p>
<p>SOCW 301-3 Critical Social Work Practice</p>	
<p>SOCW 302-6 Social Work Field Education I</p>	
<p>SOCW 310-3 Social Work and Indigenous Peoples</p>	
<p>SOCW 320-3 Critical Social Policy</p>	
<p>SOCW 330-3 Social Work Research/Policy/Practice</p>	
<p>SOCW 336-3 Social Work Philosophy and Ethics</p>	
<p><b>400 Level</b></p>	
<p>SOCW 401-3 Northern/Remote Social Work Practice</p>	
<p>SOCW 402-15 Social Work Field Education II</p>	
<p>SOCW 420-3 Family/Child Welfare Policy</p>	
<p>SOCW 421-3<sup>2</sup> Human Growth and Development</p>	
<p>Students must select an additional 12 credit hours of approved 400-level Social Work courses from the approved list.</p>	<p>☐ To be completed at UNBC</p>
<p>SOCW 422-3 Child Welfare Practice</p>	<p>⎵</p>
<p>SOCW 426-3 Current Issues in Child Welfare Practice</p>	
<p>SOCW 433-3 Women in the Human Services</p>	
<p>SOCW 437-3 Social Work with Groups and Communities</p>	
<p>SOCW 439-3 Social Work/Law and the Justice System</p>	
<p>SOCW 440-3 Social Work in Mental Health</p>	
<p>SOCW 441-3 Social Work and Substance Abuse</p>	
<p>SOCW 442-3 Social Work with Victims of Abuse</p>	
<p>SOCW 443-3 Medical Social Work</p>	
<p>SOCW 444-3 Social Work Critical Issues in Aging</p>	
<p>SOCW 445-3 Social Work and Cross-Cultural Practice</p>	
<p>SOCW 449-3 Gender and Sexuality</p>	
<p>SOCW 450-3 Social Work and Family Practice</p>	

UNBC Bachelor of Social Work Calendar requirements continued:

**400-level Social Work Courses cont'd:**

SOCW 452-3	Social Work/Crisis Intervention
SOCW 453-3	Social Work Practice and Spirituality
SOCW 454-3	Indigenous Governance and Social Policy
SOCW 456-3	Indigenous Family Caring Systems
SOCW 457-3	Individual and Community Wellness for Indigenous Peoples
SOCW 498-(3-6)	Special Topics
SOCW 499-3	Directed Readings



To be completed at UNBC

**Elective Requirement**

Electives at any level in any subject sufficient to ensure complete of a minimum of 120 credit hours.



\*Please discuss how to complete this requirement with your Student Advisor. Depending on course selection, students may be able to complete some or all of this requirement at NLC.

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<sup>2</sup> Students who take the equivalent course at NLC will be short 3 credits of Liberal Arts & Sciences. This course may, however, be used to complete a UNBC Degree requirement course.