Students with an academic objective of Social Work are generally admitted to a B.A. program at the University of Lethbridge with a major of the student’s choice. Majors in Economics, Political Science, Psychology or Sociology may be of particular interest.

The nature of the Social Work profession is such that a student should possess a strong background in the Social Sciences before application to the Faculty. The University of Lethbridge offers courses which prepare a student for application to the University of Calgary, Faculty of Social Work.

Prospective applicants must enrol in Social Work 201 (Introduction to Social Welfare), which is offered by the University of Calgary on the University of Lethbridge campus. Students must first obtain a letter of permission granting Visiting Student Authorization to the University of Calgary from the Arts and Science Student Program Services Office (SU060; tel. 403-329-5106) as well as provide an official transcript of all post-secondary education to enrol in this course. See the Academic Schedule in the 2017/2018 University of Lethbridge Calendar for Visiting Student Authorization application deadlines.
Application Information for the Faculty of Social Work:

The Faculty of Social Work, the University of Calgary, offers the Bachelor of Social Work degree program on the University of Lethbridge campus, as well as in Calgary and Edmonton.

Prior to applying to the Faculty of Social Work, students must:

1. Successfully complete 20 required undergraduate courses transferable to the University of Calgary (UoC Social Work 201 must be successfully completed before admission).
2. Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.30 over the last 10 courses taken.
3. Check with the Faculty of Social Work regarding prior practical experience in a social work setting or comparable volunteer experience.

Application Procedure:

Students must submit an Application for Admission Form to both the University of Calgary and the Faculty of Social Work. The application deadline is March 1. All required transcripts must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar at the University of Calgary by June 30. All applicants, successful or not, are notified in writing.

Admission to the Bachelor of Social Work program is competitive.

Once accepted into the Faculty of Social Work, a student completes 17 core curriculum courses and three Social Work electives. Included with the core courses are two practicum courses that allow students to experience and practice Social Work in a field setting. Cooperating agencies include government social services, probation offices, mental health clinics, and children’s institutions.

General Information:

1. Courseload: Whether the applicant has been registered full- or part-time before admission does not matter.
2. Admission GPA for the Faculty of Social Work will be calculated on the last 10 courses taken. For details, check the Faculty of Social Work website.
3. Applicants must be admissible to the University of Calgary.

Contact Information:

Students who are considering the Social Work program are urged to consult with Student Program Services (SU060; tel. 403-329-5106; email: artsci.advising@uleth.ca) and with the Student Program Coordinator in the Faculty of Social Work, Lethbridge Division at 403-329-2794 for program information. Visit the Faculty of Social Work website for current program information (www.ucalgary.ca/fswsouth).