Suggested Planning Guide for UMBC-Shady Grove's
Bachelor of Arts in Social Work

FCC Foundation and Distribution Courses	Course	Credits	S1	S2	S3	S4	Grade
English 101 (EN 101)*		3					
Math Foundation (MA 206)*		3					
Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective (PS 101, SO 101, PI 104, EC 201)*		3					
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Arts Elective (AR 100, 101, 103-106, DR 101, MU 101, MU 103, or MU 104)		3					
Humanities Elective (World Language 201-Level)		3					
Communication Elective (CMSP 103, CMSP 105, or EN 102)		3					
Biological and Physical Sciences with Lab (BI 100, 101, or 107)*		4					
Biological and Physical Sciences		3/4					
Interdisciplinary and Emerging Issues Elective		3					
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Cultural Competency Course/Elective		3					
Physical Education Course		1					
Additional UMBC-Needed GEP Courses	**Course**	**Credits**	**S1**	**S2**	**S3**	**S4**	**Grade**
GEP Culture (World Language: 101 Level)		3					
GEP Culture (World Language: 102 Level)		3					
GEP AH		3					
GEP Social Science (PS 101, SO 101, PI 104, EC 201)*		3					
Physical Education Course		1					
FCC Elective Courses	**Course**	**Credits**	**S1**	**S2**	**S3**	**S4**	**Grade**
PS 204, PS 205, or SO Course		3					
PS 206, PS 202, ID 214, or SO Course		3					
Elective (100 or 200 level)		3					
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TOTAL FCC CREDITS: 63-64					(Maximum # Transferable		
Program Requirements	**Course**	**Credits**	**S5**	**S6**	**S7**	**S8**	**Grade**
SOWK 240 – Information Technology In Social Work		3					
SOWK 260 – Introduction To Social Welfare, Social Policy and Social Work 1		3					
SOWK 360 – Social Welfare, Social Policy and Social Work 2		3					
SOWK 388 – Human Behavior I		3					
SOWK 389 – Human Behavior II		3					
SOWK 397 – Social Work Methods 1		3					
SOWK 470 – Social Work Research		3					
SOWK 480 - Field Instruction I		6					
SOWK 481 – Social Work Methods 2		3					
SOWK 482 - Field Instruction II		6					
SOWK 483 – Social Work Methods 3		3					
SOWK Elective		3					
Additional Elective Courses/Minor Requirements	**Course**	**Credits**	**S5**	**S6**	**S7**	**S8**	**Grade**
Upper Level Elective		3					
Minor Course		3					
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TOTAL UMBC CREDITS: 60							

*Program Prerequisites

NOTE: This suggested planning guide is NOT intended to serve as an official articulation agreement. Please review backside information for further details on course requirements. See your FCC counselor and/or a UMBC-Shady Grove program representative for more information.

General UMBC Notes:

- UMBC requires 120 credits for graduation; the final 30 credits may not be transferred from an outside institution.
- Students may transfer a maximum of 60 credits from a two-year school to UMBC.
- Once enrolled in a degree program at UMBC, courses listed in ARTSYS may no longer apply. Students will need to check with their advisors and complete a Verification of Transferability form in order to ensure proper transfer of coursework.
- **World Language Requirement** - A single language through the 201-level; exemptions based on proof of completion of Level 4 of a language in high school or results of a language proficiency exam. Students may demonstrate foreign language proficiency through other methods, see: http://www.umbc.edu/mll/gfrs.html. If exempt, take a general elective in place of language courses.
- **Physical Education Requirement** - UMBC requires that all students complete two Physical Education activity courses, with some exceptions: students who are 30 years of age or older at the time they begin their studies at UMBC and/or students who have served in the military (must submit copies of their DD-214 paperwork to Office of the Registrar). Students with medical reasons for exemption should contact their Program Director at UMBC. PE credits are not counted towards the final 120 academic credits required by UMBC.

Specific Social Work Program Notes:

- Students need a minimum 2.5 GPA to enter the Social Work program at Shady Grove and must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA in order to enter their field placement (internship).
- The introductory courses, including Policy, Human Behavior and Methods I, are taught in the first year of transfer and prepare students to enter a field placement (internship) in their final year. The field placement is a full academic year (September – May) and provides students with the opportunity to practice the theory and concepts taught in class.
- The field placement courses (SOWK 480 and 482) need to be taken concurrently with the Methods II & III courses (SOWK 481 and 483).
- Students completing a Social Work major must complete a minor. The minor options at Shady Grove are Psychology, Sociology, Political Science, or History.
- No grade lower than a "C" in any Social Work course will be counted toward the Social Work major.

If you have questions or would like more information about UMBC's Social Work Program at Shady Grove, please contact Ms. Katie Morris, LCSW-C, Program Director, at kath@umbc.edu or 301-738-6312.