

Bachelor of Arts

Social Welfare and Social Development

The Social Welfare and Social Development program focuses on the causes and consequences of inequality in global, national and local contexts. We encourage our students to formulate options for addressing longstanding disparities in access to resources, opportunities and power.

Our program is unique in Canada in both name and content.

In addition to our 4-year BA, we offer a collaborative program with Canadore College which enables you to earn an Honours Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Welfare and Social Development as well as a Social Service Worker diploma in just four years. You will attend Nipissing in years one, two, and four and Canadore in year three. In your final semester at Canadore, you complete a 350-hour fieldwork placement at a human service agency, enabling you to acquire valuable skills in a workplace setting.

With our innovative curriculum, you can take courses on poverty, women, Indigenous peoples, race and ethnicity, religion, health, homelessness, crime, addictions, family violence, social violence, work, globalization, international development, social justice and social change.

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Why Nipissing?

Given our small class sizes, you will get to know your professors and receive personal attention from us. Our faculty are dedicated to your success and will ensure that you receive a first-rate education.

In our SWLF 2995 course, you undertake a placement for up to 80 hours over a year at an agency that provides social and health services in our community. This is a great opportunity for you to obtain meaningful, real-world experience.

If you have earned a two-year Social Service Worker diploma from an Ontario college, you can receive up to two full years (60 credits) of advanced standing toward a 4-year Honours Bachelor of Arts degree in our program.

Some of our students are able to serve as research assistants for faculty who are involved in a number of projects in the wide-ranging field of social welfare and social development.

What does my first year look like?

Our first-year interdisciplinary courses develop competencies in critical thinking, analytical reasoning, active reading, and conducting research. We pay special attention to teaching you how to write and speak clearly and persuasively. First year courses may include Introduction to Social Welfare and Social Development, Introduction to Sociology, and other breadth requirements and electives you may choose.

Where Can I Go After Graduation?

Our graduates have been employed in:

- **social services** (Policy Analyst at Children's Aid Society of the District of Nipissing and Parry Sound, Supervisor of the Skills Advance Ontario and Youth Employment Skills Strategy programs at St. Leonard's Community Services)
- **health organizations** (Women & HIV/AIDS Community Development Coordinator at AIDS Committee of North Bay and Area, Intervention Case Manager at Nipissing Mental Health Housing and Support Services)
- **Indigenous organizations** (Director of the Social Development Department at Anishinabek Nation, Program Coordinator/Developer at Temagami First Nation)
- **the broader public sector** (Project Manager at Critical Care Services Ontario, Import Specialist and Officer at Canadian Food Inspection Agency)
- **international community development organizations**

You may also undertake a Master's degree at a university in Canada or abroad.

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