



Academic Advising

Bachelor of Social Work

Who is my Academic Advisor and why should I meet with them?



Congratulations on your acceptance to UFV! My name is Shannon Draney, and I am your Academic Advisor.

Academic Advisors support your educational planning by providing you with the information needed to **make informed decisions**. We work with you to:

- ✓ Clarify your educational goals
- ✓ Develop academic success skills
- ✓ Access available resources and services



Additional Advising Services



A screenshot of the University of the Fraser Valley's Advising Centre website. The page features a green header with the university logo, a search bar, and navigation links for Registration, Advising Centre, MyCampusLife, Residence, Career Centre, Student Services, and About UFV. Below the header is a large photo of a diverse group of students and staff. The main content area is titled "ADVISING CENTRE" and includes a breadcrumb trail "UFV / ADVISING CENTRE", the heading "Advising Centre", and a sub-heading "Academic Advisors help students plan their education and careers". A large orange arrow points to a green button labeled "+ Reasons to Connect with an Advisor". To the right, there are three more green buttons: "Book a workshop/seminar" and "View/cancel my bookings".

Find us here:
www.ufv.ca/advising

Check out
these
options
for more
on Advising
Services

How do I connect with my Academic Advisor?



We are currently offering virtual, phone, or email appointments. You will need your UFV student ID number to book your appointment.

1. Go to the Advising webpage <https://www.ufv.ca/advising/>
2. Expand “Current students” section
3. Select your program
4. Click “Book an appointment”
5. Choose the date and time that works for you
6. Indicate the type of appointment you wish to have (virtual, phone, email)
7. Your advisor will contact you at the date and time you booked. If you selected virtual, a link will be emailed to you the day of your appointment

How often should I meet with my Academic Advisor?



- Students can make an appointment with their Academic Advisor at any point throughout their program.
- It is a good idea to meet before each registration period to course plan, and update your program plan.
- It is important to remember that not all courses are offered each semester, and you need to complete some courses in a particular order to continue in the program.

What courses should I take?



Fall Semester

- SOWK 300 – Social Work Practice with Individuals
- SOWK 311 – Social Work Theory and Ethics
- SOWK 320 – Anti-Racist and Cross Cultural Social Work
- SOWK 392 – Aboriginal Social Work
- SOWK elective or upper level general elective

Meet with your advisor to create a completion plan for the remainder of the program. This program is designed to be completed in 2-years. It is possible (and recommended) to take less than five courses in the first semester and stay on track for graduation, if you take courses in summer semester.

If you plan to take this program part-time, this will create a delay in practicum and graduation, and you must email bswmswfield@ufv.ca

Practicum Information



You have two practicums to complete:

- SOWK 330 in Winter 2021
- SOWK 430 in Winter 2022

You must complete prerequisites and submit required documents to take practicum

Questions about practicum?

- Visit [Student Practicum](#)
- Email bswmswfield@ufv.ca

MyGRADplan



The simplest way to view your program requirements is by logging into **MyGRADplan** & accessing your personal program audit:

1. Login to [myUFV](#) using your usual credentials
2. Click the Campus Life tab
3. In the MyGRADplan box, use the click "here" link
4. Click the "Access your personal MyGRADplan here" link

MyGRADplan



As a UFV student you can log into this program 24/7 - **you will always have access your program plan.**

Review the MyGRADplan [tutorial here](#), specifically learning about the **'what if' & 'look ahead'** features – these will be very helpful in your course planning!

Child Welfare Specialization



As part of the Bachelor of Social Work, you can declare the Child Welfare Specialization.

This would include taking specific Social Work elective courses, and completing your fourth year practicum with the Ministry of Children and Family Development or with a Delegated Aboriginal Agency.

You will need to contact your Academic Advisor to declare the Child Welfare Specialization, and plan your electives.

This is a competitive application process, and is not guaranteed with the declaration.

School of Social Work and Human Services Orientation



The School of Social Work and Human Services will have an orientation in August for your specific program.

An invitation will be sent to your UFV student email. The orientation may be moved to a virtual format this year. Stay connected to your UFV student email for updates.

Contacts



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