



GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY

THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

(Offered by Georgian Court University at Rowan College of South Jersey)

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Bachelor of Social Work Admission Requirements:

- Completion of a A.S. in Social Service degree or A.S. in Social Service/Gerontology degree is preferred.
- Completion of at least 60 transferable credits.
- Completion of these Rowan College of South Jersey courses or their equivalents:
 - EN101 English Composition I (=GCU EN111)
 - SO201 Introductory Sociology (=GCU SO101)
 - PY101 General Psychology (=GCU PS111)
 - MA205 Statistics I (=GCU MA103)
 - SO217 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I (=GCU SW305)
 - SO219 Human Behavior and the Social Environment II (=GCU SW306)
 - SO220 Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare (=GCU SW203)
 - The following courses must eventually be completed and if they have not been completed by the time of admission, students may not be able to graduate on schedule: 1) Social Minorities and Intergroup Relations (SO207) = GCU SW253, AND 2) Human Biology with Lab (BI108) = GCU BI111
- 2.00 minimum cumulative GPA (from all previous colleges attended),

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Although EN102 (English Composition II) (=GCU EN112) is not required for the BSW degree, a student who has not completed EN102 or equivalent with a C or better may be required to take three additional writing intensive courses, other than GEN400, to satisfy GCU's writing requirement.

Although not required for admission, the student must complete the following Bachelor of Social Work degree requirements at Rowan College of South Jersey prior to beginning the final semester of the GCU portion of the BSW program (these courses are not offered by GCU at Rowan College of South Jersey):

- LS101 and 102 (Elementary Spanish I and II) or one semester of intermediate Spanish (LS201 or LS202)
- 9 credits of Social Work electives, which may be satisfied by any three of the following:
 - SO205 Introduction to Gerontology (=GCU GP207)
 - SO212 Social Psychological Counseling
 - SO215 Death and Dying
 - SO216 Sociology of Family (=GCU SW251)
 - SO221 Social Service Field Work I
 - SO222 Social Service Field Work II

Dual Admission

Rowan College of South Jersey and Georgian Court University have partnered together to offer Dual Admissions for RCSJ students. Dual Admissions allows a RCSJ student to apply and be admitted to GCU as early as their first semester at RCSJ. You must apply prior to your last semester at RCSJ. For a full description, please reference the Dual Admissions brochure and application located at The University Center Partner Program Office. You can also apply for RCSJ-GCU dual admission online through the GCU at RCSJ application at www.georgian.edu/apply. Highlights of this agreement include:

- Application fee to GCU is waived
- Guaranteed admission to GCU provided you meet all entrance requirements
- Your classes at Rowan College of South Jersey will satisfy GCU general education and other bachelor's degree course requirements as outlined in the Dual Admissions Agreement
- Meetings with Georgian Court University faculty and advisors early and often to ensure a seamless transition and transfer of credits
- Graduation requirements will not change based on the academic year you are accepted for dual admissions (certain restrictions apply)

How do I learn more?

Information Sessions about the GCU-RCSJ Program will be offered periodically by a Georgian Court Admission Counselor. During the Information Sessions, students will have the opportunity to learn about admission requirements, program overview, benefits of Dual-Admission, and smooth transfer.

Next Steps to Apply to this GCU at Rowan College of South Jersey Bachelor's Degree Program (all students, including dual admission students, should follow these steps):

1. Apply to GCU online (www.georgian.edu/gcu-rowan-college-of-south-jersey-cumberland-campus/) or by submitting a paper application available at the Rowan College of South Jersey campus
2. Submit your official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended.
3. Accepted students will receive notification within 72 hours of receiving the application and all supplemental documents. A Preliminary Transfer Credit Evaluation will be completed by GCU and sent to you.
4. Confirm your enrollment by submitting your enrollment deposit of \$250 during your last semester at RCSJ.
5. Submit FAFSA. The GCU School Code is 002608.
6. Attend a Registration Night during your last semester at RCSJ to meet with a Faculty Academic Advisor to review your Progress Chart and discuss course selection. You will sign up for GCU classes at this event.

Structure of the GCU Part of the Program:

Social Work courses: Other than the courses listed under the heading entitled "BSW Admission Requirements", the required parts of the program are all offered at Rowan College of South Jersey and include the following 39 credits of social work courses (all courses are 3 cr unless otherwise indicated):

- SW101 Foundations of the Social Work Profession
- SW295 Communication Skills in Social Work
- SW310 Methods of Social Work Research
- SW313 Social Work Practice I
- SW323 Social Policy
- SW361 Mental Health
- SW390 Macro Junior Field Education
- SW414 Social Work Practice II
- SW440 Advanced Policy & Social Work Practice
- SW496 Senior Field Education (6 cr)
- SW497 Advanced Senior Field Education (6 cr)

Other required courses: Students must complete at least 42 credits in general education. Graduates of an accredited New Jersey community college who have earned an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 and have completed the general education requirements established in the statewide agreement will transfer those general education credits in full to satisfy a minimum of 45 (A.A.), 30 (A.S.), or 20 (other associate degree) credits of the Georgian Court General Education Requirements. Only courses in which a grade of “C” or higher has been achieved are eligible for transfer. Courses transferred as part of the community college’s general education program that have Georgian Court University general education equivalents will be transferred as those equivalent courses. Other general education courses required by the community college will be transferred as general education electives. If an equivalency is not transferred, all four of the following general education requirements must be fulfilled and are all offered at Rowan College of South Jersey by GCU: a designated Religious Studies course, a designated Women and Gender Studies course, a designated Ethics course, and the Capstone course (GEN400). The GCU Experiential Learning requirement will be fulfilled as follows for this program: 1) GEN400, which includes a service learning project completed, and 2) SW496 or SW497.

Tuition:

\$605/credit. No general fees are charged.

Degree FAQ:

How many credits can I transfer to this program?

Up to 75 credits may be transferred from RCSJ or other 2-year institutions. Up to an additional 15 credits may be transferred from 4-year institutions.

How many credits are required?

A minimum of 120 credits is required for the BSW.

Can I attend courses at the Lakewood campus as well?

Yes, if the courses are approved by your advisor and the Associate Provost for Academic Program Development.

Once enrolled in this degree program, can I take any RCSJ classes to count towards this degree?

Yes, if the courses are needed to complete your degree requirements and are approved by your Georgian Court advisor. Students who have RCSJ courses left in their program will need to pay RCSJ directly for the courses unless students take the courses through the GCU@RCSJ Course Exchange Consortium Agreement. Financial aid will be awarded and paid to students for GCU courses only unless students take RCSJ courses through the GCU@RCSJ Course Exchange Consortium Agreement.

**Georgian Court University Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Program of Study at RCSJ
(program subject to change)**

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Renee Space, University Center Seminar 1, or rspace@georgian.edu. GCU Social Work Program Office in Lakewood can be reached at 732-987-2369.

GCU Admissions Office: 732-987-2700, or admissions@georgian.edu

	Fall 23	Spr 24	Fall 24	Spr 25
Cohort 6	SW101 Foundations SW295 Comm Skills SW361 Mental Health Religious Studies (RS)	SW310 Methods Rscrch SW390 Macro Jr Field Ed SW313 SW Practice I WS311 Shaping Lives	SW323 Social Policy SW414 SW Practice II SW496 Sr Field Ed (6 cr) *Ethics	SW440 Adv Policy SW Practice SW497 Adv Sr Field Ed (6 cr) GEN 400 Visioning a Future

In order to be a full-time student for financial aid purposes when enrolled in a Georgian Court University RCSJ program, undergraduate students will need to be enrolled in at least 12 Georgian Court University credits. Students who have transferred in any of the courses in the program outline above may take GCU online or Lakewood courses at the GCU at RCSJ tuition rate. Students who have RCSJ courses left in their program will need to pay RCSJ directly for the courses unless students take the courses through the GCU@RCSJ Course Exchange Consortium Agreement. Financial aid will be awarded and paid to students for GCU courses only, unless students take Brookdale courses through the GCU@RCSJ Course Exchange Consortium Agreement. See separate Course Exchange

Consortium Agreement documents for more information. Questions about financial aid should be referred to the GCU financial aid office (732.987.2258 – please identify yourself as an RCSJ student).

*RCSJ's PH102 Introduction to Ethics course may be taken in place of the GCU ethics course.

All courses are 3 credits unless otherwise indicated

Religious Studies: RS02 Discovering the Bible, RS213 Women and the Bible, RS220 Christian Tradition, or RS260 Christianity in Dialogue	Ethics: PL300 Philosophical Ethics, PL354 Bioethics, RS334 Theological Ethics, RS336 Social Justice Ethics, or BU319 Business and Professional Ethics
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Advising notes for students:

1. Students do not have to have taken all transferable credits prior to entry into the bachelor's degree program. HOWEVER, all requirements listed in this handout and the GCU catalog MUST eventually be completed. Please note all in particular all the courses listed on the first page of this handout that are program requirements but are not offered by GCU at RCSJ (they are all, however, offered by Rowan College of South Jersey). The student's GCU Registrar-issued Progress Chart shows which requirements have or have not been completed.
2. Students may complete some general education or general elective credits at RCSJ during the summers.
3. SW390 requires 125 hrs in the field. One prerequisite is a 2.5 overall GPA.
4. SW496 and 497 each require 200 hrs in the field. One prerequisite for each is a 2.5 GPA in major courses.
5. The program is designed for full-time students. Students not following the published cohort schedule in its entirety may experience course conflicts. GCU is not responsible for resolving such conflicts.
6. Some courses may be offered in online mode only.
7. GCU-RCSJ students must earn at least 48 GCU credits in courses graded A-F to be eligible for degree honors.
8. At least 120 credits total are required for a bachelor's degree, including 42 general education credits.