

**Course:**

**SOCWK 2270 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I**

**3 hours**

**Majors, Minors & Degrees:**

**Majors**

Public Health (B.S.)  
Social Work (B.A.)  
Social Work (B.S.)

**Minors**

Public Health

**Departments/Programs:**

Social Work (Undergraduate)

A course to synthesize and examine the body of knowledge concerning how the individual, group, family, and community systems interrelate with each other and the larger social context from the lifespan stages of birth through adolescence. Content will be drawn from the biological, psychological, sociological, eco-political, and cultural-environmental systems. Students will examine how issues of racial identity and intersectionality affect one's experience of power, privilege, and oppression, and how these issues have impacted the profession of social work more broadly. The importance of professional ethics in the assessment process is also examined.

(Normally offered each fall semester.)