

HUMAN SERVICES, AS

The Associate of Science in Human Services degree prepares students for entry-level positions in a rewarding field geared towards assisting individuals who are undergoing crisis or chronic situations. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment in this area is projected to grow 16 percent from 2016 to 2026. Graduates of the program will be proficient in the principles and techniques required to assist individuals in identifying and altering behaviors so that they can achieve independence and personal growth. The curriculum stresses the importance of respect for all people and sensitivity to cultural diversity. Students are required to complete one supervised field experience. Graduates will seek employment working with adults and children in a variety of settings such as social service agencies, mental health and substance abuse treatment facilities, domestic abuse shelters, and community centers.

The program level objectives for students completing the AS in Human Services are as follows:

1. Identify and explain the contributing factors to the origin, and continuing growth, of the human services profession
2. Discuss and differentiate between the major theoretical approaches to service provision in human services
3. Employ the knowledge and skills required to engage and establish a basic working relationship with clients from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds
4. Write various forms of client needs tracking documentation including bio-psychosocial and progress notes
5. Compare the various methods of service delivery in human services including the differences between and benefits of each method

Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Major-Related Courses		
HS-101	Introduction to Human Services	3
HS-121	Principles of Interviewing and Report Writing	3
HS-201	Ethical Issues in Human Services	3
HS-250	Practicum in Human Services I	4
HS-255	Practicum in Human Services II	4
LA-103	Introduction to Political Science	3
or LA-160	Introduction to Civics and Political Engagement	
LA-108	Psychology of Abnormal Behavior	3
LA-209	Contemporary Social Issues	3
LA-245	Introduction to Counseling Theory	3
LA-255	Psychology Across the Lifespan	3
Major-Related Courses Subtotal		32
General Education and Related Courses		
EN-111	College Writing and Critical Analysis	3
EN-121	Analytical Thinking, Writing & Research	3
EN-206	Professional Writing and Presentation	3
IT-115	Electronic Spreadsheet Applications	3
LA-101	Introduction to Psychology	3
LA-102	Introduction to Sociology	3
LA-122	Fundamentals of Communication	3
MA-115	Quantitative Reasoning	3
Open Electives		6

General Education and Related Courses Subtotal	30
Total Credits	62

Recommended Sequence

Course	Title	Credits
Semester 1		
HS-101	Introduction to Human Services	3
EN-111	College Writing and Critical Analysis	3
IT-115	Electronic Spreadsheet Applications	3
LA-101	Introduction to Psychology	3
LA-102	Introduction to Sociology	3
Credits		15
Semester 2		
HS-121	Principles of Interviewing and Report Writing	3
HS-201	Ethical Issues in Human Services	3
EN-121	Analytical Thinking, Writing & Research	3
LA-108	Psychology of Abnormal Behavior	3
MA-115	Quantitative Reasoning	3
Credits		15
Semester 3		
HS-250	Practicum in Human Services I	4
LA-103	Introduction to Political Science	3
or LA-160	or Introduction to Civics and Political Engagement	
LA-209	Contemporary Social Issues	3
LA-245	Introduction to Counseling Theory	3
LA-255	Psychology Across the Lifespan	3
Credits		16
Semester 4		
HS-255	Practicum in Human Services II	4
EN-206	Professional Writing and Presentation	3
LA-122	Fundamentals of Communication	3
Open Electives ¹		6
Credits		16
Total Credits		62

¹ Open Electives should be chosen based on advisement and area of concentration.