

HUMAN SERVICES, BS

The Bachelor of Science in Human Services degree provides a comprehensive understanding of the role of practitioners in order to develop educated, ethical thinkers that can apply their knowledge and skills to serve individuals, families, and society in either management or leadership positions. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics employment, in this area is projected to grow 16 percent from 2016 to 2026. The program graduates professionals who can meet the needs of individuals in diverse communities with integrity and sensitivity, and be prepared for further education and lifetime learning. Students are required to complete two supervised field experiences. Graduates 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 BS in Human Services are as follows:

1. Explain the differences between, and the importance of, cross-cultural sensitivity and cultural competence in the human services profession
2. Demonstrate a higher level of interviewing and probing skills in working with clients on identifying, modifying and eliminating problem issues and maladaptive behaviors
3. Formulate effective treatment planning with clients by analyzing assessment interviews and documentations
4. Identify the means by which social welfare policies are initially formulated, regularly evaluated, and eventually modified when necessary
5. Research problem issues in the field of human services and theorize potential approaches and plans to address them
6. Assess the ethical, legal, financial, and programmatic factors that surround the establishment and management of a human service provision agency

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
HS-320	Cultural Competence in the Human Services	3
HS-440	Administration and Social Welfare Policy For Human Service Professionals	3
HS-450	Field Experience I	4
HS-455	Field Experience II	4
HS-460	Research Seminar in Human Services	3
HS-480	Human Services Capstone	3
Major Area Electives (LA-213 strongly recommended)		12
Open Electives		12
Major-Related Courses Subtotal		61
General Education and Related Courses		
IT-115	Electronic Spreadsheet Applications	3
LA-101	Introduction to Psychology	3
LA-102	Introduction to Sociology	3

LA-103 or LA-160	Introduction to Political Science Introduction to Civics and Political Engagement	3
LA-108	Psychology of Abnormal Behavior	3
LA-122	Fundamentals of Communication	3
LA-205	Professional Communication	3
LA-209	Contemporary Social Issues	3
LA-212	Drugs and Behavior	3
LA-245	Introduction to Counseling Theory	3
LA-247	Crisis Intervention	3
LA-255	Psychology Across the Lifespan	3
LA-345	Group Dynamics	3
English Credits		12
Liberal Arts Elective(s) (LA-305 strongly recommended)		6
Math Credits (MA-135 or MA-235 required)		6
General Education and Related Courses Subtotal		63
Total Credits		124

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
Math Credits		3
Credits		15
Semester 3		
HS-250	Practicum in Human Services I	4
LA-103 or LA-160	Introduction to Political Science or Introduction to Civics and Political Engagement	3
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 Elective		3
Math Credits		3
Credits		16
Semester 5		
HS-320	Cultural Competence in the Human Services	3
HS-ELE	Human Services Elective (LA-213 strongly recommended)	3
LA-205	Professional Communication	3
LA-247	Crisis Intervention	3
Liberal Arts Elective(s) (LA-305 strongly recommended)		3
Credits		15

Semester 6

HS-440	Administration and Social Welfare Policy For Human Service Professionals	3
HS-ELE	Human Services Elective	3
LA-212 or CJ-305	Drugs and Behavior or Drugs in America	3
LA-345	Group Dynamics	3
English Electives		3
Credits		15

Semester 7

HS-450	Field Experience I	4
HS-460	Research Seminar in Human Services	3
HS-ELE	Human Services Elective	3
HS-ELE	Human Services Elective	3
Open Elective ¹		3
Credits		16

Semester 8

HS-455	Field Experience II	4
HS-480	Human Services Capstone	3
LA-ELE	Liberal Arts Elective	3
Open Electives ¹		6
Credits		16
Total Credits		124

¹ Major Area and Open Electives should be chosen based on advisement.