

HUMAN SERVICES

HEGIS: 5501
SUNY CODE: 0604



The Human Services program is designed to prepare students for a career in a variety of human service agencies. Students may, for example, find employment as case managers, social work assistants, family advocates, residential counselors or classroom assistants. Students may work with a variety of populations, such as the physically or developmentally disabled, elderly, youth at risk or individuals in crisis. Graduates are prepared to:

- Identify normal developmental trends throughout the life span and recognize deviations from normal development
- Identify the social systems that impact the individual's behavior
- Communicate effectively with a variety of populations
- Assist in the preparation and implementation of appropriate service plans
- Demonstrate the ability to accurately document case records
- Identify community services available to assist clients

Career Opportunities/Transfer Information

Graduates find employment in a variety of private and public social service agencies. While not designed as a transfer program, many of our graduates go on to four-year colleges and specific transfer articulation agreements have been established with The College of St. Rose (Social Work), Cazenovia College (Human Services), SUNY Institute of Technology (Psychology or Sociology), Hilbert College (Human Services), SUNY Albany (Social Work), SUC Cortland (Human Services), SUC Plattsburgh (Social Work), Empire State College (Community & Human Services), Utica College (Psychology), and Russell Sage College (Creative Arts Therapy). A student pursuing a degree in this registered program may, after consultation with an academic advisor, select course(s) to prepare for specialization in career or transfer plans.

1st Year					
1st Semester		Credits	2nd Semester		Credits
EN 111	English I	3	EN 112	English II	3
FS 100	First Year Student Seminar	1	HS 120	Introduction to Case Management	3
HS 111	Introduction to Social Services	3	SS 152	Developmental Psychology	3
SC 114	Topics in Human Biology OR		SS 162	Social Problems	3
SC 118	Fundamentals of Human Anatomy and Physiology	3		Mathematics Elective	3
SS 151	Introductory Psychology	3		Physical Education Activity	1
SS 161	Introductory Sociology	3			
	Physical Education Activity	1			
	Total	17		Total	16

2nd Year					
3rd Semester		Credits	4th Semester		Credits
EN 228	Interpersonal Communication	3	HS 212	Practicum in Human Services II***	3
HS 211	Practicum in Human Services I**	3	SS 141	American Government	3
SS 163	Marriage and Family	3	SS 153	Social Psychology	3
SS 241	American Minorities	3	SS 155	Abnormal Psychology	3
	Social Science Elective OR			English OR Humanities Elective	3
	Human Services Elective OR				
	Criminal Justice Elective*	3			
	Total	15		Total	15

*63 Credits Required
for the Associate in Applied Science Degree*

* Recommended for students interested in victim advocacy, or working with at-risk youth: SS 136, SS 167, CJ 120, CJ 131, CJ 151, CJ 152.

**Prerequisites for HS 211:

1. Completion of 15 semester hours toward the degree in Human Services with an overall GPA of 2.0 (C) or higher.
2. Completion of HS 111 and HS 120 with a grade of C or higher.
3. Students enrolled in this curriculum must be aware that academic progress does not automatically guarantee practicum placement. Each student must be aware that poor interpersonal skills, unethical or unprofessional behavior in the classroom or practicum site may be reason for course failure, refusal of or removal from a practicum site, or academic dismissal from this curriculum.
4. Practicum I & II require 90 hours of volunteer work at a Human Service Agency.
5. Students will be required to meet their own travel needs during both practicum assignments.
6. Students enrolling in HS 211 or HS 212 must obtain the approval of the instructor and should meet with the instructor PRIOR to the beginning of the semester in order to secure their placement.
7. Students must follow the requirements as outlined in the Human Services Handbook.

***Prerequisites for HS 212:

1. All of the above and completion of HS 211 with a grade of C or higher.

For more information, contact the Humanities and Social Science Division at (315) 866-0300 or toll free 1-888-GO-4-HCCC, ext. 8200/8430.

**This program is Internet accessible and may be completed entirely online.
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