HUMAN SERVICES, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Program Description

Students will begin to explore the field of Human Services. Students will identify aspects of individual, family and social behaviors and the steps involved in resolving problems utilizing social services systems. Students are provided opportunities to practice skills such as empathy, active listening and cultural competency to engage in ethical helping practices that promote human growth, dignity, respect and self-determination.

Program Outcomes

Students who successfully complete the Associate of Applied Science degree in Human Services will:

- 1. Analyze the multifaceted roles and responsibilities of human service workers in a variety of social service settings.
- 2. Apply interpersonal and group skills needed to effectively work with diverse populations.
- 3. Apply culturally responsive and culturally specific approaches to effectively serve clients in an inclusive, nonjudgmental environment.
- 4. Apply case management skills, including documentation, assessment, crisis intervention, treatment planning, and use of appropriate community resources.
- 5. Demonstrate professional and ethical standards and show responsibility for professional growth.

Career Considerations

The Human Services program prepares students for entry-level jobs and future careers in private and government social service agencies, schools and business. Jobs include social work assistants, community outreach workers, substance abuse and recovery counselor, crisis intervention aide and/or case management aides.

Program Course Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
First Term		
HS 100	Introduction to Human Services	3
HS 150	Personal Effect for HS Workers	3
PSY 101 or COM 218Z	Psychology of Human Relations or Interpersonal Communication	3
WR 121Z	Composition I	4
	Credits	13
Second Term		
HS 108	UnderstandBEH-EMOT Iss-Old Pop	3
HS 154	Community Resources	3
HS 155	Counseling Skills I	3
MTH 104	Math Literacy (or higher) ⁴	4
	Credits	13
Third Term		
HS 217	Group Counseling Skills I ²	3
HS 226	Ethics and Law	3

HS 229	Crisis Intervention-Prevention	3
HS 267	Culturally Informed Care	3
SOC 204	Intro to Sociology	3
	Credits	15
Second Year		
First Term		
HS 227	Family Systems and Trauma	3
HS 265	Counseling Skills II ²	3
HS 280	CWE-Human Svcs ³	3
PSY 201Z	Introduction to Psychology I	4
WR 227Z	Technical Writing	4
	Credits	17
Second Term		
HS 102	Addiction Pharmacology ¹	3
HS 209	Trauma-Theory to Practice	3
HS 266	Case Mgmt for HS Workers	3
HS 280	CWE-Human Svcs ³	3
PSY 202Z	Introduction to Psychology II	4
	Credits	16
Third Term		
HS 211	HIV AIDS-Infectious Disease 1	2
HS 280	CWE-Human Svcs ³	5
PSY 215	Lifespan Development ¹	4
PSY 239	Abnormal Psychology ¹	3
SOC 225	Social Aspects of Addiction ¹	3
	Credits	17
	Total Minimum Credits	91

¹ Program elective

Advising Notes

· Working knowledge of MS Word

Recommended:

 Students with a criminal record are urged to research employability before entering the Human Service Program. If a student enters the program with a felony conviction, they should realize the impact on their Cooperative Work Experience (CWE) opportunities and employment. Most agencies have background check requirements.

² See catalog for course pre-requisites

³ See instructor the term prior for information on cooperative work experience

MTH 60 or higher accepted