

HUMAN SERVICES CERTIFICATE

Major Code: 0494

The Human Services Certificate is a 21-credit program designed to provide education and training to individuals who are looking for a career helping others. And for those professionals already employed in the human services field, the certificate can assist in their career advancement goals. The seven 3-credit classes in the certificate can be completed at the convenience of the student; however, they can be finished in as few as two semesters. Students can take classes either online or on the Norwich campus. The certificate includes introductory human services and psychology classes as well as more advanced classes in crisis intervention, counseling and case management, human services administration and abnormal psychology. All of the classes are transferable to the Human Services AAS degree, and completion of the certificate leads to advanced standing status that allows students to complete the AAS degree in one calendar year.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Integrate and apply knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to help people help themselves.
- Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills with colleagues, clients and communities. These skills will be assessed through the use of assignments that include, but are not limited to, class presentations, role plays and video-taped experiential learning exercises.
- Use critical thinking skills to analyze client needs, problems and strengths to plan, document and assess effective interventions.
- Assess, plan and provide services that are respectful of diversity and are culturally competent.
- Identify and conduct themselves as human services professionals with the knowledge of ethical guidelines and professional standards.

Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
HUMS 101	Introduction to Human Services	3
HUMS 200	Helping Proc./Crisis Inter.	3
HUMS 201	Counseling & Case Management	3
HUMS 202	Hum. Svcs. Mgt. & Admin.	3
COMP 101	Composition and Research	3
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSYC 251	Abnormal Psychology	3
Total Credits		21

Suggested Course Sequence

Course	Title	Credits
Year 1		
Fall		
HUMS 101	Introduction to Human Services	3
	Credits	3
Spring		
COMP 101	Composition and Research	3

PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
	Credits	6
Year 2		
Fall		
HUMS 200	Helping Proc./Crisis Inter.	3
PSYC 251	Abnormal Psychology	3
	Credits	6
Spring		
HUMS 201	Counseling & Case Management	3
HUMS 202	Hum. Svcs. Mgt. & Admin.	3
	Credits	6
	Total Credits	21