

# HUMAN SERVICES, Associate in Applied Science Degree - 5556

Social Science Department

CIP Code: 44.0000

The Human Services AAS program prepares students to work as human service professionals who provide direct-service delivery to clients in a variety of community-based social service agencies. The Human Services degree promotes a generalist perspective that ensures that students obtain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in most human service settings. Students are required to complete a Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance, FBI Criminal Background Check, and a State Police Criminal Record Check prior to enrollment into the practicum course. If the student has any questions regarding this, he or she should contact the Program Director or Practicum Coordinator. Students may complete 75% of this program at the Harrisburg Campus through on-campus/in-person instruction. The remaining coursework must be completed through various modalities (e.g., hybrid, synchronous remote instruction and asynchronous instruction). Also, this program may be completed at the Gettysburg, Lancaster, Lebanon and York campuses through various modalities (e.g., hybrid, synchronous remote instruction and asynchronous instruction) in addition to on-campus/in-person instruction.

### Career Opportunities

Graduates of the program receive the training and education necessary for entry-level positions in a number of social and human service fields, such as family services, women’s programs, and services for people with intellectual disabilities.

### Competency Profile

This curriculum is designed to prepare students to:

- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with clients and their families to plan treatments and/or services
- Perform case management responsibilities in a variety of settings
- Explain the ethics and laws applicable to the human service field
- Recognize the characteristics of culturally diverse populations

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (TOTAL CREDITS = 60)

General Education		Major Requirements		Other Required Courses	
ENGL 101 English Composition I	3	HUMS 100 Introduction to Human Services	3	SOCI 201 Introduction to Sociology	3
COMM 101 Effective Speaking (or)	3	HUMS 108 Drugs & Alcohol: Use & Abuse	3	SOCI 205 Racial & Cultural Relations	3
COMM 203 Interpersonal Communication	(3)	HUMS 120 Social Welfare Programs & Policies	3	Program Electives*	<u>12</u>
Humanities & Arts Core Elective	3	HUMS 121 Interviewing Skills in HUMS	3		<b>18</b>
Mathematics or Science Core Elective –	3	HUMS 122 Documentation in HUMS	3		
<b>MATH 111</b>					
Social & Behavioral Science Core Elective -	3	HUMS 200 Group Work Practice	3		
<b>PSYC 101</b>					
First-Year-Seminar Elective	1	HUMS 206 Human Development in a Social Environment	3		
Wellness Elective	<u>1</u>	HUMS 215 Field Work Practicum	<u>4</u>		
	<b>17</b>		<b>25</b>		

\* Students must select four courses from the following list: AH 105; BIOL 111; CIS 105; CJ 101; ENGL 104 or 106; Any foreign language (ARAB, CHIN, FRCH, GRMN or SPAN); GERT; HUMS; PSYC; SOCI.

### RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

Part-time students can complete this program by taking one or more courses each semester.

Fall Semester I		Spring Semester I		Fall Semester II		Spring Semester II	
ENGL 101	3	COMM 101 or 203	3	HUMS 121	3	Humanities/Arts Core Elective	3
FYS Elective	1	HUMS 120	3	HUMS 122	3	HUMS 200	3
HUMS 100	3	HUMS 206	3	SOCI 205	3	HUMS 215	4
HUMS 108	3	PSYC 101	3	Program Electives*	6	Program Electives*	6
MATH 111	3	SOCI 201	3				
Wellness Elective	1						