

Human Services

HS101 Introduction to Human Services

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This course provides an exploration of the broad field of human services, introduces theoretical systems for understanding human behavior, and examines professional ethics and standards. Communication techniques and procedures are stressed. A continual theme throughout is the need for self-awareness. Students complete NY State certification as a mandated reporter.

HS216 Introduction to Disabilities

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This course introduces disability as an aspect of the human experience and in relationship to a changing society. Topics include a global perspective of the prevalence and incidence of disability through historical and cultural concepts, as well as political and economic factors that help define disability and shape society's response to it. The course examines the self-determination movement and its impact on disability services. Prerequisite: HS101 Introduction to Human Services.

HS222 Theories of Counseling

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This course explores the theoretical frameworks of counseling, with emphasis on the ideas that form the structure of these theories. Consideration is given to their history, current status, and application. Prerequisite: PY101 Introduction to General Psychology, and a grade of "C" or better in HS101 Introduction to Human Services.

HS231 Ethics, Policy and Law

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This course introduces the field of social services with emphasis on ethical and policy considerations faced by human service practitioners, chemical dependency counselors, and educators. Ethical decision making, professional competence, self-disclosure, confidentiality, and related topics are covered as they apply to working in counseling and educational settings. It examines legislation affecting the role of the practitioner and the economic security of the client.

HS232 Counseling Techniques

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This course focuses on the acquisition and refinement of social work and counseling skills appropriate for the A.A.S. practitioner. Methods used with diverse client systems within a variety of settings and problem areas are covered. Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or better in HS101 Introduction to Human Services.

HS233 Group Counseling Skills

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This course focuses on the acquisition of group counseling skills and techniques applicable for work within human service consumer populations and age groups. Issues include substance abuse, mental health, conflict resolution skills, and trauma. Group techniques and skills are practiced. Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or better in HS101 Introduction to Human Services.

HS241 Chemical Dependencies

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This course provides an overview of drug abuse and alcoholism including pharmacology, causes and legal aspects of drug abuse, intervention and prevention, physiology, and psychological aspects of alcoholism. The role of the professional and non-professional in counseling and intervention is examined. Emphasis is placed on alternatives to chemical substance abuse and the self-destructing behaviors that produce them.

HS245 Case Management 1

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This course uses a systems perspective to introduce the field of case management. Emphasis is on understanding and accessing the variety of service systems available to the client-consumer.

HS251 Internship 1

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This course provides supervised, practical experience in a human service setting. In addition to a minimum of 90 hours of field experience, participation in a weekly seminar is required. Prerequisite: Matriculation in Human Services or Chemical Dependency Practitioner program, 25 credits completed towards the degree, G.P.A. of at least 2.0, and a minimum grade of "C" in HS101 Introduction to Human Services. Corequisites: (Depending on Matriculation) HS222 Theories of Counseling or HS232 Counseling Techniques and one program elective, or AS201 Introduction to Alcoholism/Substance Abuse Counseling and HS231 Ethics, Policy & Law.

HS252 Internship 2

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This course is a continuation of the supervised experience in a human service setting, with greater initiative and responsibility for the provision of services. In addition to the minimum of 90 hours of field experience, participation in a weekly seminar is required. Corequisite: HS251 Internship 1.