

HUMAN SERVICES, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The Human Services program prepares students to support individuals and families in areas like mental health, addiction recovery, youth services, homelessness, and more. Students gain real-world skills to work as case managers, advocates, youth workers, paraeducators, and more across settings such as group homes, community agencies, and social service organizations. Through hands-on experience and coursework in diversity, intervention strategies, and social issues, students can earn a certificate or associate degree that leads to meaningful work or transfer opportunities.

Course ID	Title	Units/ Hours
Required Courses		
SOCI C1000 or SOCI C1000H	Introduction to Sociology Introduction to Sociology - Honors	3
SOC R102	Social Problems	3
SOC R103	Race and Ethnic Relations	3
SOC R140	Sociology of Gender	3
SOC R120	Fieldwork/Practicum: Social Work and Human Services	3
SOC R119	Introduction to Social Work and Human Services	3
Recommended Optional Courses ¹		
SOC R106	Contemporary Family in American Society	
SOC R108	Sociology of the Chicano Community	
SOC R116	Crime and Society	
ANTH R105	Sex, Gender and Culture	
ECE R106	Child, Family and Community	
POLS R102	Introduction to Law and Society	
Total Required Major Units		18

¹ Students are encouraged to take at least one of the following courses.

To earn a Certificate of Achievement (COA), a student must complete all courses within the certificate with a grade of "C" or better (or "P").

Year 1		
Fall Semester		Units/Hours
SOCI C1000 or SOCI C1000H	Introduction to Sociology or Introduction to Sociology - Honors	3
SOC R102	Social Problems	3
SOC R119	Introduction to Social Work and Human Services	3
Units/Hours		9
Spring Semester		
SOC R103	Race and Ethnic Relations	3
SOC R120	Fieldwork/Practicum: Social Work and Human Services	3
SOC R140	Sociology of Gender	3
Units/Hours		9
Total Units/Hours		18

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

- Demonstrate an understanding of the social services' agencies and their goals for assisting clients with problems in the community.
- Identify elementary knowledge of intervention techniques for counseling clients.
- Utilize role playing in order to examine values and attitudes of human service providers and their clients.
- Evaluate the role of human services professionals and the needs of the poor.
- Incorporate community social welfare goals within the field of service along with the basic needs of clients.
- Demonstrate familiarity with major theoretical approaches to service delivery.
- Demonstrate an understanding of cross-cultural differences and an understanding of the importance of the structural context in analyzing social problems.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the ethical treatment of human service clientele when providing service.