Human Services is designed for students interested in helping people, focusing on prevention and remediation of problems, and improving the quality of life for others. Coursework includes interviewing and intervention skills, case management, human development, ethics in the helping professions, assessment/treatment and planning, fundraising, human behavior, and social welfare/public policy. The Human Services program is a member of the Council for Standards in Human Services Education (CSHSE). The curriculum is directly aligned with the CSHSE and the Ethical Standards of the National Organization of Human Services (NOHS).

This curriculum is offered 100% online.
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNITY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Concentration in Human Services

Human Services professionals hold jobs in diverse settings such as group homes and halfway houses; correctional, intellectual disability, and community mental health centers; family, child and youth services agencies; and programs concerned with alcoholism, drug abuse, family violence, and aging.

Our graduates are prepared to work with individuals of any age in private, clinical, or government settings. Job titles in Human Services may include rehabilitation case worker, social service liaison, drug abuse counselor, social service aide, probation officer, home health aide, and others. The curriculum also prepares them for graduate studies in social work, counselor education, community health and a variety of other programs.

- Graduates are equipped with the knowledge and skills to attempt the National Board Certified Human Services Practitioner examination and potentially earn the HS-BCP professional credential.
- Built into the online curriculum are intentional service learning experiences that uniquely prepare student for engagement with both community and stakeholder groups.
- Full time and supporting faculty are trained helping professionals and their experiences add to a richness of field examples and teaching insights provided.
- According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of community and social service occupations is projected to grow 14 percent from 2016 to 2026. The median annual wage for community and social service occupations was $42,990 in May 2016.
- Students are assigned an academic advisor who works one-on-one to assist with academic planning and career exploration tailored to individual student needs.

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CURRICULUM

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COURSES SEM HRS
CORE CURRICULUM 41 HOURS
AREA I-IV COURSES MUST BE ON AGSC LIST. A 6-SEMESTER HOUR SEQUENCE IN LITERATURE (AREA II) OR HISTORY (AREA IV) IS REQUIRED. LITERATURE SEQUENCE PREFERRED.
AREA I WRITTEN COMPOSITION 6
AREA II HUMANITIES/PINE ARTS 12
AREA III NATURAL SCIENCE & MATH 11
AREA IV SOCIAL SCIENCE 12
PRE-PROFESSIONAL COURSES 18 HOURS
PSC 101 FOUNDATIONS OF AMERICAN GOVERNMENT 3
PY 218 ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY 3
CHHS 141 PERSONAL HEALTH & WELLNESS 3
CHHS 223 INTRO TO DISEASE PREVENTION 3
SW 200 PROF COMMUNICATIONS IN SOCIAL WORK 3
EPR 214 INTRO TO EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS 3
MAJOR COURSES 62 HOURS
CHHS 300 ETHICS AND POLICY IN HUMAN SERVICES 3
CHHS 305 SOCIAL & CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN HUMAN SERVICES 3
CHHS 350 THE HUMAN SERVICES PROFESSIONAL 4
CHHS 402 MENTAL HEALTH, STRESS MGMT & WELLNESS PROMOTION 3
CHHS 408 SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION & EDUCATION 3
CHHS 415 CASE MANAGEMENT IN HUMAN SERVICES 3
CHHS 420 HELPING SKILLS IN HUMAN SERVICES 4
CHHS 423 HUMAN SEXUALITY 3
CHHS 425 COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION IN HUMAN SERVICES 3
CHHS 455 FUNDRAISING & GRANTSMAINSHIP IN HUMAN SERVICES 3
CHHS 460 MGMT OF HUMAN SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS 3
CHHS 489 INTERVENTION STRATEGIES FOR HEALTH EDUCATION/PROMOTION 3
CHHS 497 HUMAN SERVICES INTERNSHIP 9
EPR 414 LIFESPAN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT 3
CONCENTRATION ELECTIVES 12 HOURS

INTERNSHIP

A DESIGNATED INTERNSHIP COORDINATOR WORKS CLOSELY WITH HUMAN SERVICES STUDENTS TO IDENTIFY A PLACEMENT LOCATION THAT MATCHES WITH CAREER GOALS AND INTERESTS INCLUDING:
- AIDS ALABAMA
- ALETHIA HOUSE
- YWCA

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