


Liberal Arts: Human Services Certificate

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DIVISION OF BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

This certificate program meets the needs of students looking to enter the social service field, upgrade their skills in their current human services position, or are interested in pursuing further studies in the human services or social work fields. Upon graduation, students are prepared for entry-level positions in a variety of human services agencies such as YMCAs, Boys and Girls Clubs, settlement houses, community centers, and multiservice agencies.

The program combines course work in the social sciences, primarily psychology and sociology, with human services courses and seminars. Students gain knowledge of the field and develop professional skills such as communication, observation, listening, report writing, behavior modification and human relations. Students complement their classroom studies with experimental learning through a 150-hour field placement and weekly seminar.

Upon successful completion, the Certificate in Liberal Arts with a concentration in Human Services is awarded.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information) and SORI (Sexual Offender Registry Information) background checks are required prior to practicum placement and will be conducted in accordance with state regulations. CORI and SORI results are confidential.

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COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
<i>First Year</i>	<i>Semester 1</i>	
SW 101	Introduction to Social Welfare	4
PS 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
SO 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
SO 120	Disabilities: Diagnosis and Interventions	3
	or	
SO 221	Drugs & Society	3
	credits:	13
<i>First Year</i>	<i>Semester 2</i>	
PS 118	Human Growth & Development	3
PS 241	Group Process	3
SW 201	Practicum/Seminar	6
	credits:	12
	Total Credits:	25