



Division of Business and Professional Studies

Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts: Human Services

The Human Services program combines courses in social sciences with seminars and field work in the human and social services field. In addition to acquiring the necessary professional skills such as interviewing, report writing, behavior modification, and human relations, students gain a broad background in the liberal arts. Upon completion, students are prepared for employment in a variety of social agencies related to their prior work experience, or transfer to a four-year institution. Students graduating from the Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts: Human Services will achieve proficiency in the college-wide learning outcomes.

Successful graduates of the program will be able to:

- Apply best ethical human services practices, including those pertaining to confidentiality, and unconditional acceptance of others;
- Demonstrate understanding and respect for others' diverse cultures through learned knowledge and experience;
- Communicate effectively using strong listening and verbal skills, and demonstrate an understanding of body language;
- Initiate and complete a referral, demonstrating an extensive knowledge of referral resources;
- Engage in open and productive two-way communication, demonstrating an understanding of the supervisory process;
- Use a variety of mathematical tools and quantitative reasoning to solve problems and analyze challenges;
- Understand and use appropriately a variety of technological tools;
- Use scientific knowledge and methodology to test, validate, and update their knowledge about the natural world;
- Engage in ethical reasoning, integrative/systems thinking, and creative thinking to analyze and solve problems from multiple perspectives.