

HUMAN SERVICES

Associate Degree 10-520-3

The Human Services associate program at Blackhawk Technical College trains students to provide information, support, care and advocacy in a human service agency. Students will acquire the skills needed to work with individuals, groups and communities and will learn to work with people of diverse racial, ethnic and cultural backgrounds. General education courses included in the program develop in students a to better understanding of social problems. During the second year of the program, students will have the opportunity to participate in a Field Experience in a human service agency.

1. Model a commitment to cultural competence
2. Uphold the Ethical Standards and Values for Human Service Professionals.
3. Demonstrate professionalism
4. Utilize community resources
5. Apply human services interventions and best practices
6. Cultivate professional relationships

Associate degree graduates are ready for a range of professional positions in the field of human services including:

- Case Manager
- Community Support Worker
- Substance Abuse Counselor in Training
- Income Maintenance Worker
- Information and Referral Specialist
- Intake Worker
- Outreach Worker
- Prevention Worker
- Resident Manager
- Volunteer Coordinator

With additional education and/or work experience, graduates may find employment as:

- Substance Abuse Counselor
- Program Director
- Social Worker

Semester 1		Credits
520-100	Introduction to Human Services	3
520-101	Community Resources and Services	3
520-102	Introduction to Gerontology	3
801-198	Speech	3
809-198	Introduction to Psychology	3
Credits		15
Semester 2		
520-103	Interviewing Principles & Documentation	3
520-104	Racial and Cultural Diversity in Human Services	3

520-105	Intro to Addiction and Substance Abuse Disorders	3
520-106	Professional Practices in Human Services	3
809-196	Introduction to Sociology	3
Credits		15
Semester 3		
520-107	Field Experience / Human Services 1	3
520-108	Children and Family Services	3
520-109	Group Facilitation	3
520-110	People with Disabilities	3
801-195 or 801-136	Written Communication or English Composition 1	3
Credits		15
Semester 4		
520-111	Field Experience / Human Services 2	3
520-112	Human Services Organizational Operations	3
520-113	Rehabilitation Services	3
520-114	Victimology	3
804-107 or 804-118	College Mathematics or Intermediate Algebra with Applications	3
Credits		15
Total Credits		60

General Education Courses Within Program

Code	Title	Credits
801-195 or 801-136	Written Communication English Composition 1	3
801-198	Speech	3
804-107 or 804-118	College Mathematics Intermediate Algebra with Applications	3
809-198	Introduction to Psychology	3
809-196	Introduction to Sociology	3

Associate Degrees and Technical Diplomas are part of a larger model of BTC's Career Pathways which link related academic programs in sequence. Each program within a career pathway offers direct job preparation and a path to the next level of academic programming. To view the connected program model, visit the Human Services career path (http://catalog.blackhawk.edu/academics/associate-degrees/human_services/Human_Services.pdf) (PDF).