The Human Services curriculum prepares students for entry-level career positions in a variety of human services occupations. Students interested in transferring to a four-year college to major in Social Work after completing their studies at BCC should see the program description for the Human Services Option of the Liberal Arts and Sciences Associate in Arts, A.A.

The A.A.S. curriculum prepares students for employment as mental health aides, group residence workers, neighborhood outreach workers, social case work assistants, geriatric counselors, assistant probation officers, and other similar positions. Employment opportunities exist in such areas as day care, mental health, social services, aging, rehabilitation of the disabled, group and community work at the public and private level.

Graduates are prepared to pursue further education at senior colleges leading to a baccalaureate degree in several professional areas including social work, gerontology, juvenile justice, psychology, sociology, education and counseling. Human Services students are required to participate in two Human Services field work internships which provide supervised learning experiences in work situations. Students learn to apply theoretical material from the classroom and test career choices in the real world.

The degree articulates with SUNY Empire State College and Boricua College. Students are encouraged to visit the Transfer Planning web site for more information.

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Human Services Curriculum (Pathways)
60 Credits required for A.A.S. Degree

Required Core

A. English Composition
   • ENG 10 Fundamentals of Composition and Rhetoric OR
     ENG 11 Composition and Rhetoric I (3 Credits)
   • ENG 12 Composition and Rhetoric II OR
     ENG 14 Written Composition and Prose Fiction OR
     ENG 15 Written Composition and Drama OR
     ENG 16 Written Composition and Poetry (3 Credits)

B. Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning
   • MTH 21 Survey of Mathematics I OR
     MTH 23 Probability and Statistics (3 Credits)

C. Life and Physical Sciences
   • BIO 21 The Human Body (4 Credits)

Subtotal 13

Flexible Core

A. World Cultures and Global Issues
   • SOC 11 Sociology (3 Credits)
   • HIS 10 or History of the Modern World OR
     HIS 11 Introduction to the Modern World (3 Credits)

B. US Experience in its Diversity
   • POL 11 American National Government (3 Credits)

C. Creative Expression
   • ART 11 Introduction to Art History OR
     ART 12 Introduction to Art History: Africa, the Americas, Asia and the Middle East OR
     MUS 11 Introduction to Music OR
     MUS 12 Introduction to Music: A Multi-Cultural Survey of World Music (3 Credits)

D. Individual and Society
   • PSY 11 Introduction to Psychology (3 Credits)

Subtotal 15

Required Areas of Study

• COMM 11 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication OR
  COMM 20 Public Speaking and Critical Listening (3 Credits)
• HLT 91 Critical Issues in Health (2 Credits)

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Specialization Requirements

• HSC 10 Human Services and Social Welfare Institutions (3 Credits)
• HSC 11 Case Management (3 Credits)
• HSC 12 Human Services Skills and Methods (3 Credits)
• HSC 91 Fieldwork and Seminar in Human Services I (3 Credits)
• HSC 92 Fieldwork and Seminar in Human Services II (3 Credits)
• SOC 35 Introduction to Social Work (3 Credits)
• SOC 37 Social Inequity (3 Credits)
• PSY 31 Abnormal Psychology (3 Credits)
• PSY 40 Life Span Development (3 Credits)

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