

HUMAN SERVICES

Award: Associate of Applied Science Degree

Major: Human Services

Additional Program Information: <https://www.brcc.edu/academics/programs/human-services/>

Potential Additional Funding Information: <https://www.brcc.edu/g3/>

The Human Services program prepares students for 2 pathways to employment. The first pathway to employment, allows students to prepare for employment as paraprofessionals in a wide variety of human service agencies. Graduates can be employed in agencies working with the intellectually disabled, mentally ill or elderly. Secondly, students completing the Human Services Program are prepared through articulation agreements to enter the Bachelor of Social Work program at James Madison University (JMU), Eastern Mennonite University (EMU), or Mary Baldwin University (MBU). As a social worker, students can work in mental health, corrections, substance abuse, health care and community service agencies. Students can attend classes on Mondays and Wednesdays and complete their AAS degree in 2 years. Successful completion of the program and employment may require a background check and controlled substance testing.

Required Courses Curriculum

First Semester		Credit Hours
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HMS 100	Introduction to Human Services ¹	3
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	3
Select one of the following: ²		3
BUS 100	Introduction To Business	
ITE 152	Introduction to Digital Literacy and Computer Applications ⁵	
SDV (https://catalog.brcc.edu/programs-study/sdv/)	Student Development	1
Select one of the following: ³		3
CST 110	Introduction to Human Communication	
SOC 200	Introduction to Sociology	
Credit Hours		16
Second Semester		
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HLT 121	Substance Abuse: Prevention and Treatment	3
MEN 101	Mental Health Skill Training I	3
PLS 135	U.S. Government & Politics	3
Math or Science Elective (https://catalog.brcc.edu/programs-study/general-education-aas/#science-mathematics) ⁴		3
Credit Hours		15
Third Semester		
HMS 141	Group Dynamics I	3
HMS 260	Substance Abuse Counseling	3
PSY 215	Psychopathology	3
SOC 268	Social Problems	3
Literature Elective (https://catalog.brcc.edu/programs-study/literature/#literature) ⁵		3
Credit Hours		15
Fourth Semester		
HMS 285	Advanced Client Interviewing	3
MEN 225	Counseling Therapy	3
MEN 290	Coord Pract: Mental Health/Human Service	4
PSY 230	Developmental Psychology	3
SOC 266	Race and Ethnicity	3
Credit Hours		16
Total Credit Hours		62

- ¹ HMS 100 is a prerequisite for all MEN and HMS courses.
- ² Students transferring to MBU should take ITE 152.
Students transferring to JMU should take BUS 100.
- ³ Students transferring to JMU should take CST 110. Students transferring to MBU should take SOC 200.
- ⁴ For students who intend to transfer to a four-year institution MTH 155 is strongly recommended.
- ⁵ Students transferring to JMU or MBU should take ENG 225, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 258 or ENG 275.

Certificates

Human Services I

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ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HLT 121	Substance Abuse: Prevention and Treatment	3
HMS 100	Introduction to Human Services	3
MEN 101	Mental Health Skill Training I	3
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	3
SDV (https://catalog.brcc.edu/programs-study/sdv/)	Student Development	1
Total Credit Hours		16

Human Services II

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Code	Title	Credit Hours
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
PSY 215	Abnormal Psychology	3
HMS 260	Substance Abuse Counseling	3
MEN 225	Counseling Therapy	3
MEN 290	Coord Pract: Mental Health/Human Service	4
Total Credit Hours		16

Substance Abuse Counseling

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The Substance Abuse Counseling program will prepare students to work as an assistant with individuals who have alcohol and drug abuse and addition problems. The Substance Abuse Counseling program is designed to fulfill the Virginia state educational requirements for the certification of substance abuse counselor assistant; BRCC has not determined requirements for other states. To meet substance abuse counselor assistant certification requirements, the applicant is expected to meet specific educational requirements including didactic and experiential learning with a supervised internship required.

First Semester		Credit Hours
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HMS 100	Introduction to Human Services	3
PSY 200	Principles of Psychology	3
Credit Hours		9
Second Semester		
HLT 121	Substance Abuse: Prevention and Treatment	3
MEN 101	Mental Health Skill Training I	3
Credit Hours		6
Third Semester		
PSY 215	Abnormal Psychology	3
HMS 260	Substance Abuse Counseling	3
Credit Hours		6
Fourth Semester		
MEN 225	Counseling Therapy	3
MEN 290	Coord Pract: Mental Health/Human Service	4
Credit Hours		7
Total Credit Hours		28