



Human Services A.A.S.

Curriculum Code: 0915

Effective: Fall 2021 – Summer 2026

Description

The trained Human Services employee assists professional staff in social service and human services agencies. The associate degree is generalist in nature, with all students acquiring an education in addictions, aging, and family. This degree is part of an enhanced career pathway into the profession. The education provides the opportunity to learn the history of human services, the necessity for a Code of Ethics, structure of community agencies, the programs and services provided, and the populations served. Standards from the Council for Standards in Human Services Education, the generic competencies and the ethical standards from the National Organization for Human Services serve as guidelines for the course work. Select general education courses compliment this degree.

Additional Information

Students completing this degree will select a Specialization - Addiction, Aging, or Children and Families. Students may follow other placement options with approval by the Human Services Program Director.

For students interested in addiction, view the [Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals website](#) for current addiction credentialing. Students interested in aging should follow the Human Services Aging Studies course work.

Upon completion of a specialization, any additional specialization courses will not count toward the student's enrollment level for determining financial aid eligibility.

Students must meet the criteria as described in the Human Services Advising Guide for a supervised consecutive two-semester practicum within a community agency for experiential learning. Students are required to meet with the Human Services Program Director (Room 108 HHS Building) prior to or during their first semester to obtain practicum information and application requirements for fall semester. Before practicum placement a criminal background check is required, and a DHHS Central Registry check is required for placement with children and families and in agencies providing services to children and families.

To graduate with this degree a 2.5 grade or higher is required in all GERO, HUSE, SOWK courses and Specialization Choices. General education courses require a 2.0 grade or higher. An overall 2.5 GPA or higher is required. Students are encouraged to take the required general education courses in their first, second, third and summer semesters to complete the degree on time.

This degree is designed for students to enter the workforce as pre-professionals and for students who intend to transfer to a four-year college or university to pursue a baccalaureate degree in this subject area. Students completing this curriculum will also satisfy the Michigan

Transfer Agreement (MTA) between two-year and four-year institutions in Michigan and qualify for an LCC Transfer Studies Certificate of Achievement (1482).

Contact Information

Contact the Human Services Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number 517-483-1410, or Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building – StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

General Education – Transfer Degrees (MTA), Recommended Courses

(For the full list of options, see [General Education](#))

- English Composition
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement
- English Composition (second course)/Communications
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement
- Humanities and Fine Arts
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement
- Mathematics – *Select one*
MATH 119, Math - Applications for Living, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
MATH 120, College Algebra, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
STAT 170, Introduction to Statistics, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
- Natural Sciences
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement
- Social Sciences
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement

Program of Study Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
BIOL 145	Intro Anatomy and Physiology	4 / 6
GERO 100	Introduction to Human Aging	4 / 4
HUSE 100	Introduction to Human Services	3 / 3
HUSE 105	Personal Dynamics/ Interviewing	4 / 4
HUSE 242	The Family: Addiction/Violence	3 / 3
HUSE 282	Human Services Practicum I	4 / 4
HUSE 284	Human Services Practicum II	4 / 4
PFHW 123	Human Nutrition	3 / 3
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology	4 / 4
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	4 / 4

Program of Study Required Courses, MTA English Composition – Select one

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ENGL 121	Composition I	4 / 4
ENGL 131	Honors Composition I	4 / 4

Program of Study Required Courses, MTA English Composition (second course) – Select one

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ENGL 122	Composition II	4 / 4
ENGL 132	Honors Composition II	4 / 4

Program of Study Required Courses, MTA Humanities and Fine Arts – Select one

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
HUMS 120	Masterpieces of Art & Music	4 / 4
HUMS 211	Art History to the Renaissance	4 / 4
HUMS 212	Art Hist from the Renaissance	4 / 4
MUSC 240	Musical Cultures to 1750	4 / 4
MUSC 241	Musical Cultures 1750-Present	4 / 4

Program of Study Required Courses, MTA Humanities and Fine Arts – Select one

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ENGL 211	World Literature I	4 / 4
ENGL 212	World Literature II	4 / 4
ENGL 260	African-American Literature	4 / 4
HIST 150	African-American History	4 / 4
HIST 211	U.S. History to 1877	4 / 4
HIST 212	U.S. History: 1877 to Present	4 / 4
HIST 214	African History	4 / 4
PHIL 151	Intro to Logic & Critical Think	4 / 4
PHIL 152	Introduction to Ethics	4 / 4
PHIL 211	Philosophy: Ancient & Medieval	4 / 4
RELG 150	Intro to World Religions	4 / 4
RELG 211	Asian Religions and Traditions	4 / 4
RELG 212	Judaism, Christianity & Islam	4 / 4

Program of Study Specialization Courses – Addition – Select HUSE 112, plus HUSE 110 or other 3-4 credit course approved by the Human Services Program Director.

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
HUSE 110	Child Abuse and Neglect	3 / 3
HUSE 112	Understanding Substance Abuse	4 / 4

Program of Study Specialization Courses – Aging – *Select SOWK 101, plus three credits from the Gerontology seminars below or other 3-4 credit course approved by the Human Services Program Director.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
GERO 164	Med & Alcohol Use/Older Adults	.5 / 0*
GERO 169	Legal Rights of Older Adults	.5 / 0*
GERO 191	Special Topics in Gerontology	.25-4 / 0*
SOWK 101	Introduction to Social Work	3 / 3

Program of Study Specialization Courses – Children and Families – *Select HUSE 110, plus SOWK 101 or other 3-4 credit course approved by the Human Services Program Director.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
HUSE 110	Child Abuse and Neglect	3 / 3
SOWK 101	Introduction to Social Work	3 / 3

Total Credit Hours

63-64 credits / 65-66 billing hours*

*GERO seminars are a flat fee and do not have billing hours. Contact the Program Coordinator of the Mental Health and Aging Project at 517-483-1526 or 517-483-1529 for fee information.

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I	Semester II
GERO 100	HUSE 105
HUSE 100	HUSE 242
ENGL 121 or 131	SOCL 120
Specialization course(s)	ENGL 122 or 132
	Specialization course(s)

Semester III	Semester IV
MTA Mathematics	BIOL 145
HUSE 282	HUSE 284
PFHW 123	PSYC 200
Program of Study, MTA Humanities and Fine Arts	Program of Study, MTA Humanities and Fine Arts