



Harcum College Associate's Degree in Human Services

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Achieve College Education, in your neighborhood.

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*in collaboration with
The Center for Human Services
at Harcum College.*

At community sites in:

- Philadelphia County
- Delaware County
- Chester County
- Berks County
- Lehigh Valley

Offering Degrees in:

- Leadership Studies
- Human Services
- Law and Justice
- Early Childhood Education

What can I do with a Human Services Degree?

A Human Services Degree prepares graduates as field generalists, able to adapt skills and interventions to a variety of populations in different service settings.

The goal of human services work is to enhance client quality of life.

Human Services practitioners provide client services with a care team that may include nursing, psychology, physical therapy or social work professionals.

Locations of work are residential treatment facilities,

correctional facilities, group homes, or halfway houses.

Do you want to...

- Assess client needs?
- Support treatment plans?
- Determine eligibility for benefits?
- Assist clients with daily living skills?
- Coordinate support services?
- Provide emotional support?

...then a Human Services Degree is for you.

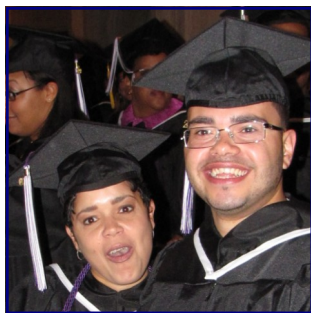


Potential Job Titles

- Vocational Counselor
- Residential Advisor
- Outreach Worker
- Life Skills Instructor
- Social Service Aide

Where are graduates now?

- Earning Bachelor's Degrees and beginning Master's Degrees.
- Establishing nonprofit organizations to serve the community.
- Earning promotions, higher wages and starting small businesses.



I can,
I will,
I-LEAD.

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Harcum College

Human services workers help people improve their lives.
The term “human services” includes social work, psychology, case management, and child welfare.

Human Services Fieldwork and Courses

A major component to all Human Services education is learning by doing. The program therefore provides extensive field-based observations and experiences. Students also participate in several internships in a variety of community agencies and treatment facilities. Field work allows students to integrate and apply classroom social service theory under the supervision of qualified professionals.

- **Introduction to Human Services** reviews the history of the theory and practice of social welfare from ancient cultures to the contemporary United States and considers the economic and political determinants of social welfare systems.
- **Introduction to Case Management** examines the range of human needs and the resources made available to assist individuals and families in need. The function of social work in residential treatment, psychiatric, correctional, medical, aged and community services is described.
- **Intervention Skills and Strategies** teaches students how to engage a client, do assessments, develop a treatment plan, and choose appropriate interventions.
- **Geriatric Sociology** examines the impact of the over 60 age group on the family, the community, residence and health care options, the job market and a range of policy decisions.

Skills Gained

- Interviewing and Assessment
- Designing and Implementing treatment plans
- Case Management
- Conducting group sessions
- Mobilizing community resources

Curriculum

Human Services

- Intro to Human Services
- Intro to Psychology
- Intro to Case Management
- Human Development
- Principles of Sociology
- Social Problems
- Personality & Adjustment
- Marriage & Family
- Intervention Skills & Strategies
- Abnormal Psychology
- Ethical Issues in Professional Life
- Intro to Clinical Psychology
- Clinical Internship
- Geriatric Sociology

General Education

- English Composition I
- College Math
- Harcum 101
- English Composition II
- Humanities Elective
- Minority Groups
- Nutrition

Student Voices

It helped me to focus on what I want to do, and then find the resources to do it.

It has changed my way of thinking about myself. I used to be a follower. Now I feel more confident.

Before I had just an idea. Now I have a direction that I'm going somewhere with.

What gives me the most pride is finishing what I started over twenty years ago, and my daughter and I will graduate the same year. I have proved to children and grandchildren that you can go back to school at any age.

