

# HUMAN SERVICES BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

Graduates of the B.S. in Human Services program have found employment in state agencies, community based rehabilitation and mental health centers, rehabilitation facilities, and public social service organizations. The B.S. in Human Services is a venerable program that has been preparing professionals for a wide range of positions in the fields of case management and social work related employment since the 1980's.

The program is one of the few that broadly focuses on the field of human services in Montana, which is closely related to the field of social work. However, students focus more specifically on concentrations that include serving populations in mental health, disability, and family systems.

Although this degree is meant to prepare most graduates for employment primarily as professionals capable of casework with a diverse population, in an effort to expand employment opportunities for graduates, a concentration in Substance Abuse Counseling was recently added. The addiction counseling emphasis adds addiction assessment and treatment classes to increase the student's knowledge of addiction and their eventual employability in the community.

## Admission Requirements

All students desiring admission to the Human Services or Rehabilitation Programs are required to file an application for admission. The application must be completed during the semester following the completion of 40 semester hours of credit, or, in the case of a transfer student, during the first semester of residence after the student has attained sophomore level.

1. A minimum of 40 semester credits is to be completed prior to admission to the Human Services Program.
2. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 is required in all courses completed.
3. All applicants must complete the General Education category requirements at Montana State University Billings, or at another regionally accredited institution of higher education, earning a minimum grade point average of 2.00. Courses taken on a pass/no pass or credit/noncredit basis will not be accepted to fulfill the requirements. Students should consult with their academic advisor.
4. A minimum grade of B in HS 345
5. The application should be accompanied by a background check and a working copy of the student's transcript. The application should be submitted to the faculty advisor for review and approval and signed by the advisor.
6. No internship can be completed without prior acceptance to the HS or REHA programs.

Students not accepted are encouraged to apply for admission during the next application period. It is the responsibility of each student to ensure that a completed application is submitted by the deadline. It is suggested that applications be submitted at least three (3) weeks prior to the end of the semester during which application is made. If admission to the Human Services or Rehabilitation Programs is denied, the applicant may appeal the decision to the Rehabilitation & Human Services Committee of the Department. The Department Chair serves as chair of the appeals committee.

## Student Learning Objectives

The Student Learning Objectives for this program include:

- Assess and evaluate community resources related to human service delivery
- Apply ethical principles into the professional settings
- Integrate general counseling theory and techniques into practice

## Bachelor of Science Degree Major in Human Services

Code	Title	Credits
<b>General Education Requirements</b> ( <a href="https://catalog.msubillings.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements">https://catalog.msubillings.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements</a> )		31
Students should consult with the Academic Advisor to determine if specific courses are necessary in order to satisfy the General Education requirements within this major.		
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
HS 201	Survey of Human Services	3
HS 335	Introduction to Counseling	3
HS 345	Legal, Ethical, Prof Iss in HS	3
HS 394	Professional Seminar I in HS	1
HS 395	Suprv Field Experience I HS	3
HS 481	Abuse, Neglect in Family	3
HS 494A	Professional Seminar II in HS	1
HS 494B	Professional Seminar III in HS	1
HS 495A	Suprv Field Experience II HS	3
HS 495B	Suprv Field Experience III HS	3
REHA 201	Intro to Diversity in Counslng *	3
Subtotal		27
<b>Math and Science Requirements</b>		
The degree program in Human Services requires three (3) semester credit hours in mathematics and three (3) semester credit hours in sciences, in addition to the General Education math/science requirements.		
<i>Science Course</i>		3
The science course should relate to some aspect of the human condition and is to be selected in consultation with the advisor.		
<i>Math Course</i>		
Select one of the following:		3
STAT 141	Intro to Statistical Concepts *	
PSYX 222	Psychological Statistics	
REHA 406	Assmnt in HS and Addctn Prgrms	
Any equivalent course selected in consultation with the student's advisor.		
Subtotal		3
<b>Professional Skills Development for the Human Services</b>		
Select four (4) courses from the following for a total of 12 credits:		12
REHA 216	Psycho-Soc Asp of Rehab/Addct	
REHA 301	Prncpls of Cnslng & Grp Theory	
REHA 406	Assmnt in HS and Addctn Prgrms	
REHA 418	Coun for Loss & Bereavement	
REHA 425	Psych Rehab & Co-Occur Dsrds	
REHA 453	Case Mgmt & Comm Resources	
Subtotal		12
<b>Total for Concentrations (See below)</b>		30
<b>Restricted electives selected with advisor approval</b>		6
<b>Electives</b>		8
<b>Total Minimum Credits</b>		120

\* May satisfy General Education requirements.

## Human Services Concentration Areas

One (1) major concentration and two (2) minor concentrations. A minimum of four (4) courses must be completed in the major concentration chosen, and at least three (3) courses must be selected from the two (2) minor concentration areas for a minimum total of thirty (30) credits.

A course selected in one concentration cannot be used to satisfy the requirements in another concentration, skills development, General Education or core requirements.

Certain courses in each concentration have prerequisites; students should check course descriptions for prerequisite requirements.

### Mental Health Systems and Applied Psychology

Code	Title	Credits
PSYX 294	Seminar/Workshop	3
PSYX 330	Child Psychology	3
PSYX 340	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYX 360	Social Psychology	3
PSYX 378	Intro to Clinical Psyc	3
PSYX 382	Forensic Psychology	3
PSYX 494	Seminar/Workshop	3

### Chemical Addictions and Treatment in Human Services

Code	Title	Credits
HS 385	Behavioral Pharmacology & HS	3
HS 483	Intro to Addiction Counseling	3
HTH 411	Alcohol, Tobacco, Drug Prevent	3
REHA 406	Assmnt in HS and Addctn Prgms	3
REHA 494	Seminar/Workshop	2
REHA 499	Capstone Addctn Trtmt P & D	2

### Social Issues Across the Lifespan

Code	Title	Credits
EDEC 310	Child in the Family	3
EDEC 430	Soc/Emotional Dev in Yng Child	3
NASX 205	Native Americans in Contmp Soc *	3
NASX 332	MT Indians:Cltrs,Hist & Issues	3
NASX 406	Hist of American Indian Women	3
SOCI 201	Social Problems *	3
SOCI 327	Sociology of Deviance	3
SOCI 330	Juvenile Delinquency	3
SOCI 380	Soc of Health and Medicine	3
SOCI 382	Soc Psych and Social Structure	3
SOCI 431	Sociology of Gender Roles	3

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## Suggested Plan of Study

Students should talk with their faculty advisors prior to registration for classes. It is a good practice to visit with the faculty advisor each semester. The following suggested schedule provides a general overview of courses and work that will enable the Human Services major to progress through the degree in an orderly and timely manner.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>First Year</b>		
Fall		
General Education		15
Total		15
Spring		
General Education		16
Total		16
<b>Second Year</b>		
Fall		
Math Requirement		3
HS 201	Survey of Human Services <sup>1,2</sup>	3
Professional Skills		6
Total		12
Spring		
Science Requirement		3
Professional Skills		6
Restricted Electives		6
Total		15
<b>Third Year</b>		
Fall		
HS 335	Introduction to Counseling <sup>1</sup>	3
HS 345	Legal, Ethical, Prof Iss in HS <sup>1</sup>	3
Concentrations		9
Total		15
Spring		
HS 395 & HS 394	Suprv Field Experience I HS and Professional Seminar I in HS	4
Concentrations		12
Total		16
<b>Fourth Year</b>		
Fall		
REHA 201	Intro to Diversity in Counslng	3
HS 481	Abuse, Neglect in Family <sup>1</sup>	3
HS 495A & HS 494A	Suprv Field Experience II HS and Professional Seminar II in HS <sup>1</sup>	4
Concentrations		3
Electives		3
Total		16
Spring		
HS 495B & HS 494B	Suprv Field Experience III HS and Professional Seminar III in HS <sup>1</sup>	4
Concentrations		6
Electives		5
Total		15

<sup>1</sup> Offered during both fall and spring semesters.

<sup>2</sup> Offered online.