

## Human Services Degree (HS)

This program is for those who wish to build a rewarding career helping others who are experiencing personal and socialization problems. Opportunities in this field are excellent. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, human services is one of the fastest growing fields. The Human Services Degree program will prepare you for entry-level positions in social services or for transfer to four-year colleges or universities to pursue human services, psychology, social work, sociology, or other related majors.

Number	Suggested Course Order	Cr	Semester	Grade	Prerequisites/Notes
ENG101	English Composition I	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
HST101	Introduction to Human Services	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
PSY105	Introduction to Psychology	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
CIS127	Computer Technologies	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
HST150	Cultural Awareness	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
ENG102	English Composition II	3			ENG101
HST140	Counseling Methods & Interviewing Techniques	3			PSY105 strongly recommended, may be taken concurrently
PER126/130	Health, Fitness, & Wellness Elective	2/3			<b>Prerequisites:</b> MAT092, RDG100, or placement <b>Note:</b> PER130 is recommended for transfer
PSY101	Psychology of Self	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
PSY110	Human Growth and Development	3			PSY105
MAT126	Topics in Mathematics ( <i>or higher</i> )	3			MAT096 or placement
PSY 240	Abnormal Psychology	3			PSY105
THE 113	Speech	3			ENG101
SOC103	Introduction to Sociology	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
	Professional Elective	3			<b>Electives:</b> ASL101, 102, CHC101, 105, 108, 110, 220, CJU131, 232, 250, 254, DSI113, ECE101, HST145, 147, PSY143, 244, 246, 250, 280, 290, SOC125, 129, 206, 208, 210, 212, SPA109, 110,.
	BIO103 or Lab Science	3/4			<b>Electives:</b> Lab course in BIO, BTC, CHE, EAS, ENV, NRD, PHY
POL211	Massachusetts and the Federal System	3			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
SOC205	Social Problems	3			SOC103
HST260	Human Services Seminar (capstone)	3			45 credits earned toward the Human Services Degree including ENG102, HST101, 140, PSY105, 110, 240, SOC103.
HST250	Human Services Internship Experience	4			QPA 2.0, HST101, HST140, and permission of department chairperson
	General Elective	3			<b>Electives:</b> Any course (see page 64 for exceptions)
<b>Total: 63/65 credits</b>					

See page 124 of the college catalog for program competencies and technical standards.

**Campus/format:** This degree can be completed during the day or evening at the Gardner or Leominster Campus. Ninety-five percent of this program can be completed online.

**Helpful hints:** Volunteer opportunities, service learning, and civic engagement components are suggested as ways of enhancing classroom learning.

**Transfer options:** Transfer agreements exist with Cambridge College, Charter Oak State College, Hesser College, Becker College, and the University of Phoenix. Other popular transfer choices include Anna Maria College and Worcester State College. Consult with the transfer advisor early to maximize your transfer options.

Visit MWCC's transfer planning services website: <http://transfer.mwcc.edu>.

3 Plus ONE eligible—go to: [www.mwcc.edu/3PlusONE](http://www.mwcc.edu/3PlusONE)

**Special requirements:** A Criminal/Sexual Offender Record Information (CORI/SORI) check and liability insurance are required for student interns. Technical standards must be met with or without accommodations.

**Career options:** Mental health assistant, case manager, intake specialist, community organizer, counselor, domestic violence worker, residential staff and house manager, advocate, substance abuse worker, social service aide, and a wide variety of related careers.

**Earning potential:** \$19,220 - \$30,900 per year.