

## Human Services A.A.S. (HUS)

The Human Services Associate Degree program is accredited by the Council for Standards in Human Services Education (CSHSE).

The Human Services A.A.S. program is an interdisciplinary program focusing on the diverse nature of the individual human being, the dynamic process of life, and the human ability to interact and adapt to the living environment.

This program is designed to prepare graduates with the values, knowledge, and skills required for entry-level employment as a human services generalist in the human services field. Human services workers assist individuals, families, and groups to improve the overall quality of life in the community. Graduates may be employed as providers of both direct and indirect client services, e.g. therapeutic support services, caregiver, living assistant/coach, crisis intervener, empowerer, administrative worker, community outreach, and advocate. Graduates are employed as human services workers in a variety of settings, including clinics, hospitals, group homes, correctional centers, government agencies, day treatment centers, sheltered workshops, extended care facilities, community-based living homes, and social services agencies throughout the community.

Lehigh Carbon Community College is an institutional member of the Council for Standards in Human Services Education (CSHSE) and the National Organization of Human Services (NOHS). The Human Services A.A.S. degree is nationally accredited by the CSHSE. Graduates are eligible to take the Human Services-Board Certified Practitioner (HS-BCP) professional credential exam.

### Upon successful completion of this program, graduates will be able to:

- use critical thinking and problem-solving skills to assess the needs of individuals, families, and groups within the community.
- demonstrate assistance with goal planning using the appropriate strategies, services, or interventions.
- assist in the development and implementation of a treatment plan using appropriate resources, specialized assistance, and community supports to achieve the desired outcome.
- assist in formulating a systematic method to evaluate the outcome of services and make referrals as appropriate.
- discuss the interaction of human systems, including individuals, families, groups, and communities, within the society and environment.
- describe the effects of one's own values and beliefs in the role of the human services worker.
- demonstrate professional and ethical interaction with a variety of human services providers and agencies.

First Semester		Credits
HUS 110	Introduction to Human Services	3
HUS 120	Interviewing and Case Management	3
ENG 105	Research and Composition	3
PSY 140	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOC 150	Introduction to Sociology	3
PSY 106	Writing in APA	1
		16
Second Semester		
HUS 160	Introduction to Counseling Skills and Theories	3
HUS 170	Systems and Processes	3
CIS 105	Introduction to Computers and Applications	3
ENG 107	Writing in the Workplace	3
PSY 145	Human Growth and Development	3
HUS 215	Professional Seminar	1
		16
Third Semester		
HUS 210	Group Processes	3
HUS 220	Internship I	3.5
SOC 151	Modern Social Problems	3
Elective*	Program Elective	3
Elective <sup>+</sup>	Mathematics	3
		15.5
Fourth Semester		
HUS 230	Internship II	3.5
HUS 240	Management of Human Services Agencies	3
SOC 251	The Family	3
Elective <sup>♦</sup>	Science	3-5
Elective*	Program Elective	3
		15.5-17.5
<b>Credit Total</b>		<b>63</b>

\*Program electives are limited to the following courses. The first program elective must be a HUS course: HUS 115, 125, 150. The second program elective can be chosen from HUS 115, 125, 150; PSY 242, 243.

<sup>+</sup>Mathematics elective recommendations: MAT 105, 118, 120, 150.

<sup>♦</sup>Science elective recommendations: BIO 101, 116, 124, 125, 135.

**Prior Learning Assessment:** Previous job training, certificates and work experience that may qualify for college credit (*see academic advisor*).

**Gateway Courses:** Based on placement testing in reading, writing and math, these prerequisite courses may have to be taken before placement in College English or Mathematics beginning the first semester and concurrently.

RSS 099	Basic Skills Reading	3
RSS 100	Critical Reading	3
ENG 099	Basic Skills Writing	3
ENG 100	Fundamentals of Writing	3
MAT 090	Mathematical Literacy	6
ESL 251	English for Academic Purpose	6

(Required for ESL students only.)

Please note, taking gateway courses will increase your time for completion.



# Special Admission Program Requirements

**Additional admission information and requirements for the this program are as follows:**

**Note: Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission into the programs.**

## Human Services

- Submission of high school transcript or GED and transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended.
- Acceptable scores on LCCC skills assessment.
- Maintain a 2.2 cumulative GPA in the Human Services program and earn a minimum “C” grade in all Human Services courses.
- To participate in fieldwork experiences, students must present the original copy of the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History clearance, the Pennsylvania Criminal Record, the FBI Background Check Transmittal form and health examination and immunization records to the college. Depending upon the fieldwork site, the student may also be required to present a Pennsylvania Driver History report, and records of satisfactory tuberculosis screening and Hepatitis B immunization.
- A student having a history of any criminal record is encouraged to check the Prohibitive offenses list (Public Law 169) and discuss any convictions with the program coordinator and the fieldwork site in advance of attendance at the fieldwork agency. Students who possess a criminal record status may experience limitations in available fieldwork placements and future employment in the human services field.
- Any student with a criminal record which bans employment with adults or children will never be eligible to enroll in any human services class requiring service learning, fieldwork or internship experiences.
- Copies of the submitted records will remain on file at the college for one year after fieldwork coursework is completed.
- The student is responsible for all special program costs: health examinations, immunizations, clearance record fees, books, supplies and transportation to Human Service agencies.
- Human Services students are responsible for locating and selecting fieldwork agency sites. Students are responsible for presenting credential levels required by the fieldwork agency. It is the sole discretion of the fieldwork agency and future employers as to what level of credentialing is required by the position roles and duties at the human service agency. Final approval of the site resides with the program coordinator.