

SOCIAL WORK AND HUMAN SERVICES, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

The Associate in Arts in Social Work and Human Services for Transfer degree program prepares students for rewarding careers as program specialists, leaders in community outreach, life skills, drugs/alcohol and mental health counselors, eligibility technicians, and social workers. Careers in social work and human services include state and local government systems, non-profit organizations, and private social services agencies. Career advancement is available with experience and additional training, while courses in the transfer program may lead to advanced degrees in Social Work, Public Health, and Human Services.

In the program, students enjoy engaging academic courses and an enriching hands-on experience in field placements, studying development, history, theory, and implementation of our society's responses to human needs. Program participants learn about key issues and problems in Social Work and Human Services and build competencies in practice interventions, resources, strategies, and technologies for the delivery of human services and social work.

The program at MPC includes exploration of strengths-based human services systems, with attention to social inequalities and sociocultural factors that influence access and experience of care. Students gain competency in effective communication, develop creativity, refine critical thinking, practice teamwork, and exercise ethics in their helping relationships. Coursework prepares students for seamless transfer into the CSU system to pursue a baccalaureate degree in health and human services, social work, counseling, community studies, or related major. Students must complete the Associate Degree for Transfer requirements to earn the AA-T degree.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Describe and demonstrate standards of professional behavior, confidentiality, and respect required in the field of human services.
- Explain how to use a strength-based and self-reliance approach in the study and delivery of human services.
- Apply concepts and theories of human services in performing effectively as part of a team when collaborating with families, agencies, and community-based organizations, while maintaining suitable values and ethics for Human Services.

Associate in Science Degree Major Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Core		
ECON 2 or ECON 4	Principles of Economics: Macro Principles of Economics: Micro	3
HUMS 50	Introduction to Human Services and Social Work	3
HUMS 51A	Human Services and Social Work Seminar	1
HUMS 51B	Human Services and Social Work Field Practicum	2
PSYC 1	General Psychology	3
SOCI 1	Introduction to Sociology	3

SOCI/PSYC 19 or MATH 16	Introduction to Statistics for the Social Sciences Elementary Statistics	4
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Select one from the following: 4-5

ANAT 1	Human Anatomy with Cadaver Lab	
ANAT 5	Human Biology	
BIOL 10	Principles of Biology	
PHSO 1 & PHSO 2	Human Physiology and Human Physiology Lab	

List A

Select two courses from the following: 6

ADMJ 2	Introduction to Administration of Justice	
ANTH 4	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	
ECED 55	Child, Family, and Community	
ETNC 10	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	
PSYC 35	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	
SOCI 2	Contemporary Social Problems	
SOCI/ETNC 13	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	

TOTAL MAJOR UNITS 29-30

Additional Requirements 30-31

Complete CSU General Education or IGETC pattern and electives, if needed, for a total of 60 transferable units.

Total Units 60

Please refer to the graduation requirements section of the Catalog for information about degree and certificate requirements including Reading and Writing, Mathematics, Information Competency, and General Education requirements.