Proposal for Revision of the Human Services Certificate Program

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Human Services Certificate Program**

Proposal: BHHS 101, Introduction to Behavioral Health and Human Services, will
be added to the Human Services Certificates program.

Rationale: Work in the field of Human Services has become increasingly complex.
Students need to be introduced to the helping profession's historical, organizational and
community contexts, in order to help students better envision and understand the realities
of the field. BHHS 101 will give students an overview of both the historical
underpinnings of the field and of the types work done in the field today. In addition,
BHHS 101 is now a pre-requisite or co-requisite for BHHS 111, Introduction to Helping
Skills. That course is a key requirement for the certificate because it teaches students
terminology used by helping professionals and the basic interpersonal skills required by
the field. Students will need to take BHHS 101 before or at the same time they take
BHHS 111.

Effect of the Revision: The addition of BHHS 101 will increase the number of credits
required for the certificate to thirty-three credits. A majority of students in the certificate
program apply these credits to the BHHS degree program.

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Course Number and Name	Prerequisites and Corequisites	Credits
FIRST SEMESTER		
BHHS 101 - Introduction to Behavioral Health and Human Services		3
BHHS 111 - Introduction to Helping Skills	Acceptance into the BHHS curriculum or related certificate program; BHHS 101, which may be taken concurrently	3
BHHS 105 - Introduction to Group Dynamics		3
ENGL 101 - English Composition I		3
YW 101 - Foundations of Youth Work or BHHS 121 - Foundations of Addiction Studies or BHHS 171 - Introduction to Social Gerontology or BHHS 161 - Introduction to Disabilities		3
CIS 103 - PC Applications*		3
SECOND SEMESTER		
BHHS 194 - Case Management Practice	BHHS 111 prerequisite	3
BHHS 195 - Practicum in Behavioral Health/ Human Services I	BHHS 111 prerequisite	3
ENGL 102 - English Composition II	ENGL 101	3
BHHS 151 - Child Abuse and Family Violence or BHHS 241- Crisis Intervention		3
MATH 118 - Intermediate Algebra or higher level		3
MINIMUM CREDITS NEEDED TO GRADUATE		33

*Students with computer experience may apply for credit by exam through the Computer Technologies Department.

For More Information Contact:

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Student Learning Outcomes

Human Services Certificate

Regional accreditors now require that the College lists learning outcomes in the catalog. Please list learning outcomes for your program exactly as you wish them to appear in the catalog.

Upon completion of this program graduates will be able to:

- Demonstrate a basic set of helping skills (warmth, empathy, reflective listening) needed for entry employment in human service agencies.
- Work as a culturally sensitive ethical practitioner.
- Demonstrate a stronger sense of self resulting from personal growth experiences.
- Use critical thinking and writing skills needed for working with clients.

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