

Liberal Arts: Human Services

Associate in Arts

DIVISION OF BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

The Human Services program combines courses in social sciences, primarily psychology and sociology, with seminars and field work in the human and social services field. In addition to obtaining the necessary professional skills such as interviewing, report writing, behavior modification, and human relations, students gain a broad background in the liberal arts. Upon graduation, students are prepared to work in a variety of social agencies related to their educational credentials and work experience.

Upon successful completion, the Associate in Arts Degree in Liberal Arts with a concentration in [Human Services](#) is awarded.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information) and SORI (Sexual Offender Registry Information) background checks are required prior to practicum placement and will be conducted by the practicum location in accordance with state regulations. CORI and SORI results are confidential.

PROGRAM FOOTNOTES

Humanities Elective: Art, Communication, English (EN 103 or higher), ESL (ES 100 or higher; up to 6 credits), Film, Foreign Language, Humanities, Literature, Music, Oral Communication, Philosophy, Photography, Sign Language, Theater Arts

Laboratory Science (4 credit) and Science Elective: BI 101 General Biology I & BI 102 General Biology II, or BI 110 Principles of Biology I & BI 120 Principles of Biology II, or BI 215 Anatomy and Physiology I & BI 217 Anatomy and Physiology II, or CH 101 College Chemistry I & CH 102 College Chemistry II, or CH 110 Principles of Chemistry I & CH 120 Principles of Chemistry II, or EV 103 Environmental Studies I & EV 104 Environmental Studies II, or PY 101 College Physics I & PY 102 College Physics II, or PY 103 Engineering Physics I & PY 104 Engineering Physics II, or SC 102 Integrated Science I & SC 103 Integrated Science II

Language Elective: Any college level language course, including American Sign Language

Math Elective: Any 100-level Mathematics or higher (not MAC).

Program Electives: Any Social Welfare (SW), Psychology (PS) or Sociology (SO) course

This program qualifies for MassTransfer with select public institutions in Massachusetts) For more information, visit www.mass.edu/masstransfer

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
<i>First Year Semester 1</i>		
CS 100	Computers and Technology	3
EN 101	English Composition I	3
PS 101***	Introduction to Psychology	3
SW 101*	Introduction to Social Welfare	4
SW 102	Ethical Issues and Addiction	3
	credits:	16
<i>First Year Semester 2</i>		
EN 102	English Composition II	3
SO 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
CT 100	Critical Thinking	3
	Language Elective	3
	Math Elective	3/4
	credits:	15/16
<i>Second Year Semester 1</i>		
PS 118	Human Growth & Development	3
	Program Elective**	3
SO 203	Race and Ethnic Relations	3
	Humanities Elective	3
	Laboratory Science Elective	4
	credits:	16
<i>Second Year Semester 2</i>		
PS 241	Group Process	3
SW 201	Practicum/Seminar	6
	Program Elective **	3
	Science Elective	3/4
	credits:	15/16
	Total Credits:	62-64

* Course to be taken first semester.

** Students simultaneously enrolled in the Direct Support Certificate should take SO 224 Sociology of Developmental Disabilities and SO 120 Disabilities: Diagnosis and Intervention as Program Electives. Students simultaneously enrolled in the Substance Abuse Certificate should take SW 203 Substance Abuse: Counseling and Treatment and PS 253: Screening and Assessment as Program Electives.

*** Registration for PS101 requires placement into EN101

Quantitative skills are a MassBay graduation competency for associate degree programs. Prior to graduation, students must demonstrate this competency by completing a 100-level math course (not MAC); or placing into a 200-level mathematics course.