**Human Services, AS**

Graduates of the Human Services Program are prepared to become credentialed as a Human Services-Board Certified Practitioner (HS-BCP™) upon meeting the post-graduation requirements of 3 years of experience, including a minimum of 4,500 hours. Human Services graduates may assist in providing client services in a wide variety of fields, such as psychology, rehabilitation, or social work, including support for families; may assist clients in identifying and obtaining available benefits and social and community services; and may assist social workers with developing, organizing, and conducting programs to prevent and resolve problems relevant to substance abuse, human relationships, rehabilitation, or dependent care.

This program is designed to prepare students for employment as human services specialists, human services practitioners, chemical dependency practitioners, addictions specialists, mental health and social services practitioners or to provide supplemental training for persons previously or currently employed in these occupations.

Current occupational employment and wages data for Human Services are published by the United States Department of Labor’s Bureau of Labor Statistics at <http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes211093.htm>

The Human Services curriculum includes a combination of online and traditional classroom experiences as well as field experience in the final year of the curriculum. General Education and Program Specific coursework may be taken on various campuses but the Human Services core courses are only offered on the Lee Campus.

There are two residency (internship) courses in the Human Services Program. Students will be assigned to a specific agency for the completion of the internships. Applicants should note the following in regards to these internships:

* Student assignment to internship sites is approved by the Human Services Program Director and is based upon site availability.
* Facilities will be selected from within the Southwest Florida region which includes Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, and Glades Counties.
* Students are expected to provide their own transportation to and from their assigned professional practice sites.

**BACCALAUREATE DEGREE CONSIDERATION:**

Students who are interested in pursuing a baccalaureate degree should consider completing the Associate of Arts (AA) degree program, instead of the Associate of Science (AS) degree program, for application and transfer to university programs. Human Services Core Coursework, with an asterisk (\*) notation below, may be selected to meet the 24 elective credit hours required for the AA degree and to complement interest in the Human Services area.

**ACCREDITATION:**

The Human Services Program AS degree is not an accredited program at this time. Verification of post-degree experience (3 years, including a minimum of 4,500 hours) will be required for Edison State College graduates to complete the Human Services-Board Certified Practitioner (HS-BCP™) examination.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Students must meet the Edison State College admissions requirements. No additional application process is required for the Human Services Program.

**RESIDENCY I COURSE REQUIREMENTS:**

Prior to enrollment in Residency I internship course, students must complete the following:

* College-approved criminal records check and drug testing, at the applicant’s expense
* Immunization and health report
* TB Skin Test
* Certification in American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers (CPR and AED) obtained three months prior to enrolling in Residency I internship course

**HUMAN SERVICES, AS DEGREE PROGRAM OF STUDY:**

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| **GENERAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK:** Courses must be selected from those listed in the **General Education Program Guide** | | **15 CREDIT HOURS** |
| ENC 1101 | Composition I | 3 |
| SPC 1017  **OR**  SPC 2023 | Fundamentals of Speech Communication  **OR**  Introduction to Public Speaking | 3 |
| PSY 2012 | General Psychology I | 3 |
| HUMANITIES | Any Listed Course in Humanities Section | 3 |
| MATHEMATICS | Any Listed Course in Mathematics Section | 3 |

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| **PROGRAM SPECIFIC COURSEWORK:** Courses may be selected from those listed in the **General Education Program Guide**. Suggested coursework is listed here. | | **9 CREDIT HOURS** |
| HUS 2540\* | Building Stronger Families | 3 |
| ENC 1102 | Composition II | 3 |
| STA 2023 | Statistical Methods I | 3 |

\*Indicates coursework options for 24 credit Elective hours, if pursuing AA degree. If pursuing an AS degree, any elective coursework may be used for the program specific coursework.

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| **HUMAN SERVICES CORE COURSEWORK** | | **49 CREDIT HOURS** |
| HUS 1001\* | Introduction to Human Services | 3 |
| HUS 1013\* | Self Esteem in Human Services | 3 |
| HUS 1111\* | Introduction to Intra/Inter Personal Processes | 3 |
| HUS 1320\* | Theories and Foundations of Crisis Intervention | 2 |
| HUS 1400\* | Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse | 3 |
| HUS 2200\* | Dynamics of Groups and Group Counseling | 3 |
| HUS 2302\* | Basic Counseling Skills | 3 |
| HUS 2315\* | Studies in Behavioral Modification | 3 |
| HUS 2404\* | Working With Alcoholics and Other Drug Abusers | 3 |
| HUS 2406 | Pharmacology in Drug Abuse | 3 |
| HUS 2411 | Introduction to Chemical Dependencies | 3 |
| HUS 2428 | Treatment and Resources in Substance Abuse | 3 |
| HUS 2500\* | Issues and Ethics in Human Services | 3 |
| HUS 2551 | Evaluation of the Treatment Environment | 3 |
| HUS 2905 | Directed Individual Study | 2 |
| HUS 2842L | Counseling Residency I | 3 |
| HUS 2843L | Counseling Residency II | 3 |
| **TOTAL DEGREE PROGRAM, HUMAN SERVICES, AS** | | **73 CREDIT HOURS** |