



BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY/ HUMAN SERVICES CONCENTRATION

What is Human Services?

A career in human services gives the power to support others when they need it most. The BA psychology with a concentration in human services will provide a solid grounding in psychology and sociology, covering the topics of social systems, ethics, crisis intervention, the science of the mind and more. With a focus on improving the lives of others, the program prepares students for a rewarding career in a diverse range of helping professional fields.

Why study Human Services?

Individuals who go into human services fields such as social work, counseling or community programs do so with a desire to help people in need and make a meaningful impact on others' lives. By studying human services, students will gain insight into human psychology, relationships, challenges people face and paths to personal growth and fulfillment. The field allows graduates to work with non-profit organizations and advocate for those in underserved populations.

The human services program at Tiffin University emphasizes practical experience and fieldwork. Students have opportunities to gain valuable skills and apply what they learn through internships, service-learning projects and working with clients. More specifically, students can intern in Washington D.C. at sites such as the National Mental Health Association and Offender Aid and Restoration. Locally, students have interned with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), domestic violence shelters and victim advocacy services.

What can I do with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology/Human Services degree?

Students graduating with an undergraduate psychology degree with a concentration in human services will be well positioned to pursue careers in:

- Adoption agencies
- Child Development Specialist
- Community Organizer
- Employee Assistance Programs
- Foster Care Organizations
- Head Start Programs
- Hospice Centers
- Mental Health Organizations

- Nursing Homes
- Program Evaluator
- Psychoeducational Specialist
- Social Services Coordinator
- Victim Services Organizations

With consultation with academic and faculty advisors, students with an undergraduate degree in psychology with a human services concentration will satisfy the prerequisite coursework necessary for admission into the following graduate programs:

- Clinical Psychology
- Counseling Psychology
- Social Work
- Education and Special Education
- School Psychology
- Marriage and Family Therapy
- Industrial/Organizational Psychology



How much will I earn with a BA in Psychology/Human Services?

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the demand for employment for social and human service assistants is expected to grow nine percent by 2032Q. Industries with the highest published employment and wages for community and social service specialists are provided below. Due to the diversity and broad nature of the field, students have various potential employment opportunities with varying pay levels. It is always best to refer to official sources such as the Bureau of Labor Statistics or consult specific agencies/organizations for the most accurate and up-to-date salary information.

- Local Government, excluding schools and hospitals (OEWS Designation) - \$56,150
- Individual and Family Services - \$46,640
- State Government, excluding schools and hospitals (OEWS Designation) - \$59,650
- Social Advocacy Organizations - \$52,050
- Elementary and Secondary Schools - \$60,000
- Diversity & Inclusion Specialist - \$54,530

Industries with the highest published employment and wages for Community and Social Service Occupations are provided below.

- Individual and Family Services - \$47,390
- Local Government, excluding schools and hospitals (OEWS Designation) - \$60,850
- Elementary and Secondary Schools - \$68,640
- State Government, excluding schools and hospitals (OEWS Designation) - \$56,120
- Outpatient Care Centers - \$53,890

What is your pathway to graduation?

| YEAR 1 | |
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| FIRST YEAR FALL | FIRST YEAR SPRING |
| DEC100 Dragon Education: Engage | ENG142 Rhetoric and Academic Writing |
| ENG141 Rhetoric and Intro to Research Writing | PSY250 Social Psychology |
| PSY101 Intro to Psychology | SOC101 Intro to Sociology |
| DLT101 Digital Literacy and Technology Readiness | NAT130 Foundations of Healthy Living |
| MAT185 Quantitative Reasoning | One of the following courses: HIS201/ENG201/PHI110/ART210/CUL210/PHI215/GSC110 |

| YEAR 2 | |
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| SECOND YEAR FALL | SECOND YEAR SPRING |
| PSY265 Lifespan Development | DEC200 Dragon Education: Explore |
| COM130 Intro to Speed Communication | Any one course in ART/CUL/HIS/NAT |
| MAT273 Applied Statistics I | PSY302 History and Systems of Psychology |
| PHI215 Ethics | PSY263 Theories of Personality |
| PSY201 Intro to Professional Practice | Open Elective (100 level or above) |

| YEAR 3 | |
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| THIRD YEAR FALL | THIRD YEAR SPRING |
| FOR423 Case Management | DEC300 Dragon Education: Connect |
| SCS300 Research Design | PSY360 Intro to Counseling |
| PSY269 Human Sexuality | SOC360 Multicultural Issues in Society or CSL430 Cultural Competence in Counseling |
| PSY362 Abnormal Behavior | Open Elective (100 level or above) |
| Open Elective (100 level or above) | Open Elective (200 level and above) |

| YEAR 4 | |
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| FOURTH YEAR FALL | FOURTH YEAR SPRING |
| FOR430 Crisis Intervention | DEC400 Dragon Education: Impact |
| One PSY/SOC/FOR/CSL Pick List Course (Suggested: FOR485 Death & Dying, FOR365 Drugs & Society, PSY425 Cross-Cultural & International Psychology or SOC320 Community Sociology) | PSY401 Biological Foundations of Behavior |
| SCS450 Human Services Capstone | Open Elective (200 level or above) |
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| Open Elective (200 level or above) | SCS470 Internship |

Can I choose a minor?

There are several minor options available to BA Psychology/Human Services; historically, two of the most popular have been the following:

| MINOR OPTIONS | | | |
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| ADDICTIONS COUNSELING | | CORRECTIONS | |
| COURSE NAME | CREDITS | COURSE NAME | CREDITS |
| CSL310 Intro to Addiction Theory and Practice | 3 | COR120 Correctional Thought & Practice | 3 |
| CSL320 Counseling Procedures and Strategies with Addicted/Disordered | 3 | COR231 Juvenile Justice Systems | 3 |
| CSL425 Group Process & Techniques Working with Addicted/Disordered | 3 | COR245 Probation, Parole and Community Corrections | 3 |
| CSL435 Assessment & Diagnosis of Addictive and Behavioral Health Problems | 3 | COR420 Agency Management | 3 |
| CSL440 Prevention, Intervention and Treatment Planning in Addictions | 3 | FOR423 Case Management | 3 |
| CSL445 Theory and Practice of Relationship Counseling in Addictions/Behavioral | 3 | | |

Enhance your degree with a designation, license or certification.

| DESIGNATION OPTIONS | | | |
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| CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY COUNSELOR ASSISTANT LICENSURE | | CELEBRATING CULTURAL UNIQUENESS CERTIFICATE | |
| COURSE NAME | CREDITS | COURSE NAME | CREDITS |
| CSL310 Intro to Addiction Theory and Practice | 3 | TU's CCU Training Module | Badge/ Certificate |
| *Eligible to sit for CDCA Licensure Exam | 3 | | |

Dual Enrollment/4+1

Students who wish to be promoted to leadership positions in the field or practice clinical work in the future will eventually need to complete their graduate degree. Taking advantage of the dual enrollment opportunity allows graduate-level classes in students' senior year to count toward their undergraduate and graduate degrees simultaneously saving both time and money. Most MSCJ graduate degrees can be completed in one year or less.

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| YEAR 4 | |
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| FOURTH YEAR FALL | FOURTH YEAR SPRING |
| *PSY543 Developmental Psychology | *PSY546 Psychology |
| FOR430 Crisis Intervention | DEC400 Dragon Education: Impact |
| One PSY/SOC/FOR/CSL Pick List Course (Suggested: FOR485 Death & Dying, FOR365 Drugs & Society, PSY425 Cross-Cultural & International Psychology, SOC320 Community Sociology) | PSY401 Biological Foundations of Behavior |
| SCS450 Human Services Capstone | Open Elective (200 level or above) |
| Open Elective (200 level or above) | SCS470 Internship |

*Signifies a graduate-level class.

Stay on track!

YEAR 1

- Meet with your assigned faculty mentor and professional advisor to ensure your plan meets your career goals and considers options such as minors, dual enrollment and unique internship opportunities.
- Consider job shadowing/exploring opportunities.
- Explore student groups, fellowships, clubs and extracurriculars on campus that apply to your career goals.
- Complete DEC100.

YEAR 2

- Meet with your assigned faculty mentor and professional advisor to ensure you are on target to graduate.
- Develop your resume.
- Continue job shadowing to build a professional network.
- Attend the career fairs offered on campus throughout the year.
- Complete DEC200.
- Begin exploring internships and graduate schools/programs (if applicable).

YEAR 3

- Meet with your assigned faculty mentor and professional advisor to ensure you are on target to graduate.
- Visit Career Services regularly to plan for your internship and begin practicing skills related to your upcoming job search (interview practice, dress for success seminars, etiquette 101, etc.)
- Work with the school's internship coordinator to help secure an appropriate internship.
- Fine-tune your resume and cover letter with career services.
- Complete DEC300.
- Attend the career fairs offered on campus throughout the year.
- Finalize graduate school plans.
- Complete your internship.

YEAR 4

- Meet with your assigned faculty mentor and professional advisor to ensure you are on target to graduate.
- Complete/submit graduate school applications by deadlines.
- Attend the career fairs offered on campus throughout the year.
- Begin your job search and submit applications for potential opportunities.
- Complete DEC400.
- Apply for graduation through the registrar's office at TU.



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