Human Services

Associate in Arts & Sciences – Direct Transfer (DTA)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Human Services is a broadly defined field that includes multi-disciplinary training with an emphasis on prevention, program development and service to improve the quality of people's lives. The populations served vary across the spectrum of human diversity and require assistance with issues of health care, mental health, disability, substance abuse, criminal justice, low income, housing, education, unemployment, recreation, social welfare, and elderly and youth concerns.

Depending on the employment setting and the population served, working conditions and titles vary greatly. Though work in the Human Services field can be obtained by people of varying educational backgrounds, better positions, income and opportunities can be found if you possess at least a bachelor’s degree.

You may pursue a major in Human Services by following the Associate in Arts and Sciences – Direct Transfer (“DTA”) degree which leads to transfer to a college or university in order to pursue a bachelor’s degree. With the DTA degree, you will have completed most or all of the lower division, general education requirements typically required within a bachelor’s degree. The complete description of this degree program, with a checklist, is provided in the Associate of Arts and Sciences - DTA guide.

Also, since every college or university may have different requirements for entering and completing a Human Services program, you are advised to pay special attention to the comments below and in the Recommended Courses section of this guide, and to be in direct contact with advisors at EvCC and at the intended transfer university.

Bachelor’s degree close to home…

DTA Degree, at EvCC with a grade point average of 2.75 or higher (though exceptions are considered) may apply for transfer to the two-year, 90-credit, upper division program. The upper division (junior and senior level) classes are taught on the EvCC campus as well as in Bellingham and Bremerton. WWU at EvCC is located in the University Center at Gray Wolf Hall Room 254, 425-259-8919.

CAREER OPTIONS

Human Service professionals usually work in formal organizations, such as clinics, hospitals, agencies, bureaus, centers and group homes. Work may be in an office, or may require traveling to visit homes and communities. Starting salaries can range from $17,900 to $43,510. For career mobility and higher income, it is wise to anticipate the need for post-graduate training in more specialized fields such as social work, counseling, management and public policy. For more information, go to:

www.bls.gov/ooh/community-and-social-service

Check with the Counseling and Student Success, Third Floor, Parks Student Union, for exploring additional career or educational information, phone 425-388-9263.


SUGGESTED PREPARATION

Desirable traits of an effective Human Service professional include a strong desire to help others, patience, empathy, cognitive ability, integrity, time management and communication skills. Emotional health and professionalism are also essential. Students interested in this field would benefit from volunteer or employment experience in a service organization prior to pursuing the major at the university level.

RECOMMENDED COURSES

Ascertaining specific institutional requirements is your responsibility. Since specific requirements for a Bachelor of Arts in Human Services degree vary according to institution, you should confer regularly with an EvCC Human Services (transfer) advisor to insure that you meet the entry requirements of your chosen upper division college or university.

On the reverse side of this guide is an outline of the general requirements of the Associate in Arts and Sciences - DTA. Within that degree, we recommend that you consider including some of the following courses to meet distribution requirements:

- HUMS 101 (List A: Academic Elective)
- Psychology, especially Life Span or Abnormal Psychology (up to 1 Social Science Distribution)
- Sociology, Anthropology, Economics or Political Science (Social Science Distribution)
- Communication Studies or HUM 110D, (Humanities Distribution)
- Spanish or ASL (Humanities Distribution)
- MATH& 107 or PHIL& 120 (Quantitative Skills)
- Environmental Studies, Nutrition (Natural Science Distribution)
- Advanced English Composition

PROGRAM ADVISORS

For specific guidance about the Human Services program, contact these advisors:

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- Gina Myers, Ranier 103, 425-388-9266, gmyers@everettcc.edu

GETTING STARTED AT EVCC

Our Enrollment Services Office provides information about applying, orientation and registration for new and continuing students. New students must complete entry advising through the Advising Center.

- Enrollment Services, Parks 201, 425-388-9219
  admissions@everettcc.edu
- Advising Center, Rainier Hall Room 108, 425-388-9339

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at:
http://www.everettcc.edu/administration/instruction/research/index.cfm?id=15766
Associate in Arts and Sciences - DTA

This checklist is targeted at transfer students with an interest in pursuing a Human Services degree at a four-year institution. Students should meet with an advisor and maintain this checklist while at Everett Community College. The quarter before expected completion, this checklist should be submitted with a diploma application to the Enrollment Services Office. This checklist refers to requirements listed in the curriculum guide titled “Associate in Arts and Sciences – DTA”, which lists all the courses which are approved for the various categories of requirements. Note: Though courses in a foreign language are not required in the DTA degree, some universities may require two or three quarters of foreign language for admission or for graduation.

Courses listed with an ampersand in the course number (e.g. ENGL&101) reflect the Common Course Numbering System. For more information, go to www.everettcc.edu/ccn

Student Name: ____________________________ Advisor Signature: ____________________________ Date: __________

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☐ BASIC COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS (10 credits total, at least 5 in English Composition)

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☐ BASIC QUANTITATIVE SKILLS (5 credits, see list of approved courses in Quantitative Skills on the AAS-DTA List. Recommend MATH&107 or PHIL& 120)

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☐ HUMANITIES (15 credits from the DTA approved Humanities List. See Note 1. Recommend Philosophy, Spanish, CMST, ASL)

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☐ SOCIAL SCIENCES (15 credits from the DTA approved Social Science List. See Note 1. Recommend Psychology, Sociology, Political Science, Anthropology, Economics)

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☐ NATURAL SCIENCES (15 credits from the DTA approved Natural Science List, including at least one lab science class. See Note 1. Recommend Environmental Studies, Nutrition)

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☐ SUGGESTED ELECTIVES – (A maximum of 30 credits may be allowed in electives, selected from the A and B lists on the DTA checklist; a maximum of 15 credits from the B list may be used. See Recommended Courses on the other side of this checklist.)

List A: Transfer Electives

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List B: Applied Electives (max 15 credits)

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Total: Minimum 90 credits required, with a 2.0 minimum GPA.

Note 1: Courses must be from three different disciplines. No more than 10 credits in any one discipline may be used in Humanities, Social Science, and Natural Science.

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