

Human Services

Associate in Arts & Sciences – Direct Transfer (DTA)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Human Services is a broadly defined field that includes multidisciplinary 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 <u>transfer</u> 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 Art 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...

EvCC and Western Washington University offer a cooperative program leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Human Services from Western Washington University's Woodring College of Education. Students who earn an Associate in Arts and Sciences

- 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 Western program. The upper division (junior & senior level) classes are taught on the EvCC campus as well as in Bellingham and Bremerton. WWU at EvCC is located in the Everett University Center, 915 N. Broadway, 425-405-1630.

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. 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 [2/1

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

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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:

- ♦ Earl Martin, Whitehorse 320B, 425-388-9268, emartin@everettcc.edu
- ♦ Deanna Skinner, Liberty 261, 425-388-9178, dskinner@everettcc.edu
- Gina Myers, Rainier 101, 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

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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

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Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Quarter Completed	Grade
■ BASIC COMMUNICATIONS SKILL				
□ BASIC QUANTITATIVE SKILLS (5 of PHIL& 120)	credits, see list of approved courses in Q	uantitative Skills o	on the AAS-DTA List. Recom	mend MATH&107 or
■ HUMANITIES (15 credits from the DT	A approved Humanities List. See Note	1. Recommend Ph	nilosophy, Spanish, CMST, A	SL)
■ SOCIAL SCIENCES (15 credits from the Political Science, Anthropology, Economics)		ee Note 1. Recon	nmend Psychology, Sociology	,
■ NATURAL SCIENCES (15 credits from Recommend Environmental Studies, Nutrition Lab:		st, including at leas	st one lab science class. See N	Note 1.
□ SUGGESTED ELECTIVES – (A maxi of 15 credits from the B list may be used. See				
Course Credits HUMS 101 (optional) 3	r Electives Qtr Completed Grade	List B:	Applied Electives (max Credits Qtr Con	15 credits) mpleted Grade
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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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