# **COURSE SYLLABUS**



Course Title:	Introduction to Human Services				
Department:	Social Science			Date submitted:	Spring 2015 (AAC: 15-37)
Curriculum:	Human Services				
Course Descriptors: Make certain that the course descriptors are consistent with college and Board of Trustees policies, and the current course numbering system.	Contact Hours: St	G Language al Arts &  Irs: s/no) ture: udio ther: TAL: Im:	3 No 3 0 0 0 0 3 35 5, S	Writing I (ENG Integrated Rea (ENG*075) OF Reading & Wr Introduction to	Integrated Reading and *065) or placement into ading and Writing II R Introduction to College iting (ENG*093) OR College English (ENG*096) Writing VI (ESL*162)
Catalog Course Description:	Focuses on a variety of human needs within the United States. Issues discussed are social supports in meeting human needs, theoretical perspectives, social policy, target populations and the characteristics of a human services professional.				
Topical Outline: List course content in outline format.	<ol> <li>An Introduction to Human Services</li> <li>A History of helping</li> <li>Human Services Today</li> <li>Models of Service Delivery</li> <li>The Client</li> <li>The Human Services Professional</li> <li>The Helping Process</li> <li>Working within a System</li> <li>Professional Concerns</li> </ol>				
Outcomes:	Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following:				

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Describe measurable skills or knowledge that students should be able to demonstrate as evidence that they have mastered the course content.

#### COURSE:

- Demonstrate knowledge of historical events of social welfare and social work, beliefs and attitudes, and developing trends in the human service field
- Demonstrate knowledge of contemporary social problems in the U.S.
- 3. Identify current social services designed to meet social problems and identify gaps and barriers to the current social services
- 4. Understand the functional tasks and roles of the human service worker in reaching undeserved populations and neglected aspects of human problems
- 5. Demonstrate beginning knowledge of the major theories in Human Services
- Make valid judgments and conclusions based on the evidence presented in support of a thesis or argument
- 7. Begin to explore effective use of self in the helping process

PROGRAM: (Numbering reflects Program Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

- 1. Understand and apply terminology used in today's human services field, and interpret and communicate information when appropriate
- 2. Analyze the interaction of social policies on client systems, workers and agencies
- 3. Read and explain relevant literature in the field of human services
- 8. Develop an understanding and awareness of cultural diversity

GENERAL EDUCATION: (Numbering reflects General Education Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

5. **Information Literacy/Continuing Learning -** Students will be able to use traditional and digital technology to access, evaluate, and apply information to the needs or questions confronting them throughout their academic, professional, and personal lives.

**Demonstrates**: Collects and synthesizes relevant and authoritative information resources appropriate to need and audience and utilizes current technologies to solve problems, complete projects, and make informed decisions.

**Does Not Demonstrate:** Does not collect and synthesize relevant and authoritative information resources appropriate to need and audience nor satisfactorily utilize current technologies to solve problems, complete projects, and make informed decisions.

6. **Oral Communication (embedded)** - Students will be prepared to develop oral messages of varying lengths and styles that communicate effectively and appropriately across a variety of settings.

**Demonstrates**: Delivers oral presentations with information and/or analysis appropriate for the rhetorical situation. Content is reinforced by appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication.

**Does Not Demonstrate:** Oral presentations lack information and/or analysis appropriate for the rhetorical situation. Content may not be reinforced by appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication.

#### **Evaluation:**

List how the above outcomes will be assessed.

#### Assessment will be based on the following criteria:

- 1. Instructor prepared test
- 2. Student demonstration
- 3. Student prepared reports
- 4. Student presentations

# Instructional Resources:

List library (e.g. books, journals, online resources), technological (e.g. Smartboard, software), and other resources (e.g. equipment, supplies, facilities) required and desired to teach this course.

Required: None

Desired: None

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Textbook(s)

Refer to current academic year printout.