

ADDICTIONS, MENTAL HEALTH, AND SOCIAL WORK ASSISTANT

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The Addictions, Mental Health, and Social Work Assistant degree program prepares students with the knowledge and skills to support people with diverse challenges and needs. They are employed in settings such as community service centers, job and family services, mental health agencies, addictions centers, correctional facilities, domestic violence shelters, recovery houses, homeless shelters, and so many more.

Graduates may be eligible for registration as a Social Work Assistant (SWA) through the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board, and the Chemical Dependency Counselor Assistant (CDCA) through the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board. For students interested in a bachelor's degree, this degree program is a great start by obtaining employable skills, while also having transfer opportunities into the Bachelor's of Social Work or Addiction Studies programs.

Grading Policy

Academic standards are found under Grading and Credit System of the Student Handbook section of this catalog. Addictions, Mental Health, and Social Work Assistant students must attain a "C" grade in each Human Service (HUM) course. Any Human Service (HUM) course in which a grade below a "C" is received must be repeated.

Curriculum Options

Students are encouraged to review their individual needs with the department chairperson when considering full-time and part-time alternatives. Additionally, students should review educational needs in conjunction with current work experiences.

Articulations (2+2 Option)

Students interested in pursuing a Bachelor's degree should speak to an Addictions, Mental Health, and Social Work Assistant Faculty Advisor early in their Rhodes State College career.






Technical Standards


See here for details.

Tech Prep Partner

See here for details.

Addictions, Mental Health, and Social Work Assistant Associate of Applied Science Degree

First Year		Hours
First Semester		
COM 1110 	English Composition	3
HUM 1111	Introduction to Social Work	3
HUM 1150	Interviewing Techniques in Addictions, Mental Health and Social Work	3
HUM 2100	Case Management in Addictions, Mental Health and Social Work	3
PSY 1010	General Psychology	3
SDE 1010 	First Year Experience	1
		
Term Hours		16
Second Semester		
HST 1620	American History Since 1877	3
HUM 2230	Issues and Ethics in Helping	3
HUM 1900	Professional Preparation and Engagement	2
MTH 1100	Math of Business	3
or MTH 1151	or Quantitative Reasoning	
or MTH 1260	or Statistics	
PSY 1730	Abnormal Psychology	3
Technical Elective		2-3
Term Hours		16-17
Second Year		
First Semester		
COM 2110	Public Speaking	3
or COM 2213	or Verbal Judo	
HUM 2400	Crisis Management	3
HUM 1710	Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders	3
HUM 2991	Practicum I	2
Technical Elective		4
Term Hours		15
Second Semester		
HUM 2170	Dynamics of Mental Health and Substance Use	3
HUM 2310	Group Dynamics/Intervention	3
HUM 2992 	Practicum II	2
		
PSY 2150	Lifespan Psychology	3
HUM 2710	Addictions Counseling	3
SOC 1320	American Cultural Diversity	3
Term Hours		17
Total Hours		64-65

 The ePortfolio requirement has been phased out and the ePortfolio indicators are being removed from the site.

 Capstone Course

¹ **If planning to pursue a bachelor degree, choose from one of the OTM/TAG approved Math courses. See MTH courses in Course Description section of this catalog.**

See here for Capstone information.

Please see the course descriptions section for prerequisites before registering for courses.

Prerequisites:

Students should check course prerequisites before registering. Prerequisites are listed in the Course Tab.

Human Service Program Electives

Technical Electives

Code	Title	Hours
HUM 1310	Activity Directing I	3
HUM 1320	Activity Directing II	3
HUM 1990	Independent Study in HUM	1-3
HUM 2000	Special Topics in Human Services	1-3
HUM 1212	Social Welfare in the United States	3
HUM 1720	Aging and Gerontology	3
HUM 1980	The Color of Justice	2
HUM 2040	Psychology and the Legal System	2
HUM 2030	Criminal Minds	3

Please see an advisor when considering a 2+2 option.

Admission Requirements

See the General Admissions Procedures in the College catalog.

Students who begin the curriculum in spring semester or who need developmental course support should recognize that it may take longer than four semesters to complete the program.

Individuals must recognize that to be successful in the Human Service field, there are important disposition and professional conduct factors, such as being emotionally mature, respectful, dependable, and responsible.