

Human Services (MA)

This program is offered by the College of Arts & Sciences. It is available online, at the St. Louis home campus and at select U.S. campuses. Please see the Campus Locations and Offerings section of this catalog for a list of campuses where this program is offered.

to the program do not count toward the 12 credit hours required for advancement.

Program Description

The human services curriculum is designed to prepare students for professional careers in human and social service agencies. The curriculum incorporates interdisciplinary local and global perspectives and knowledge, which facilitate the interpretation, analysis, synthesis and communication of human services concepts, theories and skills.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Analyze the scope of social and human conditions that promote or inhibit effective human services delivery systems, policies and outcomes.
- Identify core human services ethics, values, systems and skills.
- Evaluate policy or process recommendations to improve the functioning of human service agencies and interventions.
- Apply current research-based knowledge, theories, skills and ethics in a human services context.

Program Curriculum

The 36 credit hours required for the master of arts (MA) in human services must include the following courses:

- HUMS 5000 Foundations of Human Services (3 hours)
- COUN 5050 Human Growth and Development (3 hours)
- HUMS 5200 Social Welfare Policy (3 hours)
- NURN 5360 Organization and Systems Leadership (3 hours)
or MNGT 5590 Organizational Behavior (3 hours)
- GERN 5660 Research and Assessment in Gerontology (3 hours)
or EPSY 5800 Applied Research (3 hours)
- HUMS 5800 Field Experience I (3 hours)
- HUMS 5850 Field Experience II (3 hours)
- HUMS 6000 Human Services Capstone (3 hours)
- 4 appropriate graduate elective courses (12 hours), determined in consultation with the student's advisor and approved by the department.

Admission

Students who are interested in applying to this degree program should see the Admission section of this catalog for general requirements.

Send all admissions materials to:

Webster University
Office of Admission
470 East Lockwood Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63119

Advancement to Candidacy

Students are admitted to their graduate program upon completion of all admission requirements. Students are advanced to candidacy status after successfully completing 12 credit hours of graduate credit, with grades of B- or better. In the MBA program and other specialized programs, courses required as prerequisites