

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN

Human Services



In the field of human services, a professional's primary role is to help individuals function to the best of their ability within the context of their lives. These practitioners must assist and serve clients in a manner that is nonjudgmental, moral, ethical, and competent.

Mercer University's **Bachelor of Science in Human Services** provides students with the tools to develop problem-solving methods, learn case management skills, and use client-centered mental health practices in order to help individuals become self-sufficient.

Students have the option to enroll in and earn one of two certificates, which add an additional 12 credit hours to the program:

- **Human Services Administration** provides electives in administration such as leadership in nonprofit organizations, public policy, and more to prepare students for roles in the field.
- **Pre-Mental Health Counseling** provides electives in mental health counseling and prepares students with a foundation for graduate counseling programs.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Format: Online, on-campus, or blended combination of online and on-campus courses

Locations: Online, Douglas County, Henry County, and Macon

Start Terms: January, March, May, August, and October

Course Length: 8 weeks



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Program of Study

Foundations in Major: 30 hours

SOCI 200	Addressing Social Justice
HSRV 202	Introduction to Human Services
PSYC 227	Lifespan Development
HSRV 230	Interpersonal Skills for Helping Professionals
HSRV 256	Introduction to Research Methods for Social Sciences
HSRV 306	Applied Research Methods for Social Sciences
HSRV 370	Case Management
HSRV 380	Grant Proposal Development and Fundraising
HSRV 401	Cultural Diversity
HSRV 475	Internship

Electives in Major: 12 hours

Students will choose four advisor-directed electives.

Total Major Requirements: 42 hours

General Education: 39 hours

Electives: 39 hours

Total Degree Requirements: 120 hours

Students with prior professional experience may have the opportunity to apply to complete a portfolio assessment. Upon completion, review, and approval of the assessment, students may receive a maximum of 12 semester hours of credit.

Admission Requirements

Candidates must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.25 (on a 4.0 scale). Applicants may be eligible to transfer credits toward the degree.

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS INCLUDE:

- High school or GED transcript (if applicable)
- Completed application for admission
- \$25 non-refundable application fee (\$50 for international students)
- Official transcripts from all previously attended institutions

International applicants should consult the University catalog for additional requirements.

BECOME A DOUBLE BEAR Special Consideration Program

Students in Mercer's B.S. in Human Services program may be eligible to continue their education through the Special Consideration Program and gain priority admission consideration and a Double Bear Scholarship for eligible graduate programs such as the M.S. in Organizational Leadership.



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