



Department of Human Services  
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**Mission:** The mission of the Human Services Department is for students to attain the attitudes, skills, and knowledge to become effective, ethical, and compassionate human service professionals who engage in creative approaches to meet diverse individual, community, and societal needs.

### **Degrees Offered:**

- **Associate of Arts (AA) in Human Services**
- **Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) in Human Services**
  - The two tracks offered are:
    - **Addiction Counseling**
      - Approved by the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board as meeting the educational requirements for licensing as a Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
    - **Family Services, with coursework available in:**
      - Youth Service
      - Mental Health
      - Gerontology
      - Trauma and Recovery
- **Master of Arts (MA) in Human Services: Emphasis on Addiction Counseling**
  - Approved by the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board as meeting the educational requirements for licensing as a Masters Addiction Counselor (LMAC) and Clinical Addiction Counselor (LCAC).
  - Career Ladder for Licensed Addiction Counselors (LAC – LMAC – LCAC)

### **Certificates Offered:**

- **Addiction Counseling** (prepares students for licensing by the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board as a Licensed Addiction Counselor-LAC)
- **Non-Profit Management** (in cooperation with the Political Science Department)
- **Trauma and Recovery** (career prep for working with domestic violence, abuse, assault, natural disasters, PTSD, etc.)

### **Minors Offered:**

- **Human Services Minor:** Consists of 15 hours of Human Services coursework selected in consultation with a Department Advisor and approved by the Department Chair.
- **Gerontology Minor (interdisciplinary):** Constructed around the premise that a broader understanding of Gerontology is critical to meet the needs of an aging society. To obtain the optional minor, students will complete at least 18 credit hours of coursework. In addition to 9 credit hours of required coursework, students must complete at least 9 credit hours of elective courses. At least 6 hours must be upper division coursework.