BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN SERVICES IN YOUTH/FAMILY SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATION

TURN YOUR PASSION FOR HELPING OTHERS INTO A REWARDING CAREER

Build a career on a foundation of making a difference. Our online bachelor’s degree in human services prepares you to improve the lives of children and families and to make a positive impact in your community and society. Develop the skills and knowledge to assess client needs, identify community resources, problem solve, and become an effective client advocate.
WHY STUDY HUMAN SERVICES AT PURDUE UNIVERSITY GLOBAL?

ONLINE FLEXIBILITY FOR WORKING ADULTS
Complete your coursework 100% online, on your schedule. You can also visit one of our regional locations to take advantage of local, onsite support and services.

TRANSFER CREDITS
Transfer up to 75% of your degree requirements to accelerate completion of your degree and save on tuition. In addition to credit for prior courses, you can earn college credit for your work, volunteer activities, and life experiences.1

AFFORDABLE TUITION
Lower the cost of your education through military tuition reductions, employer reimbursement options, transfer credit, and more.2 Our average bachelor’s graduate saves 45% on tuition with credit for prior learning.3

FACULTY EXPERTISE
Learn from human services professionals with extensive experience in the field. All faculty possess advanced academic degrees and relevant industry credentials.

ONE-ON-ONE MENTORING
Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and faculty office hours, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

INTRODUCTORY TRIAL PERIOD
Make sure online learning at Purdue Global is right for you. Enroll in the University and try our classes for 3 weeks before you owe any tuition. That’s the Purdue Global Commitment.4

NATIONALLY RANKED AND RESPECTED
Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education.5

TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR EDUCATION AND YOUR CAREER

Prepare for Certification6
The coursework in this program fulfills the educational requirements to sit for the Human Services—Board Certified Practitioner (HS-BCP™) exam offered by the Center for Credentialing & Education.

Accelerated Master’s Degree Option
You can work toward a Purdue Global master’s degree in public administration, educational psychology, human services, legal studies, or psychology while you earn your bachelor’s degree.7 Complete both your bachelor’s and master’s degrees in less time and at a lower cost than completing both programs separately.

Gain the Core Skills and Competencies Needed to Advance in This Field
- Understand and apply the public and private policies that drive the day-to-day operations of human service administration agencies.
- Plan, direct, and coordinate activities of social service programs or community outreach.
- Oversee budget and policies regarding participant involvement.
- Collaborate with or direct caseworkers, social service workers, or probation officers.
- Provide interventions and develop intervention strategies.
CURRICULUM

Our well-rounded curriculum blends multiple disciplines. The courses are reviewed and revised regularly by industry experts to ensure they reflect the most recent developments and practices in the field of human services.

HUMAN SERVICES COURSE TOPICS INCLUDE:

- The criminal justice system
- Human behavior and the environment
- Social problems
- Prevention and crisis intervention
- Sociology
- Family and domestic violence
- Juvenile justice
- Case management
- Public personnel administration
- Child and family welfare
- Child and adolescent development
- Designing human services proposals
- Family and youth advocacy
- Legal and ethical issues

Capstone Project

The program culminates in a final capstone project, which gives you the opportunity to apply the skills and concepts you study online to real-world human services issues.

PROGRAM DETAIL

Credit Hours: 180
Completion Time: 2–4 years (With transfer credit and other prior experience, the average completion time for Purdue Global bachelor’s degree graduates in 2019–2020 was 2 years.)
Course Load: 2–3 per term
Terms: 10 weeks long
Start Dates: Throughout the year

MEMBER OF THE CSHSE

This program is a member of the Council for Standards in Human Service Education (CSHSE) and adheres to their curriculum standards.9

“I was very surprised (and disappointed with myself for waiting so long) that I only had 18 months of classes left to get my bachelor’s degree in human services—a degree that ties together with what I had started 19 years earlier.”

Anne Henningsen
BS in Human Services Graduate

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

- Master of Science in Human Services
- Master of Science in Psychology
- Master of Public Administration
- Master of Public Health
CAREER AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

- According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of social and community service managers is projected to grow 17% from 2019 to 2029, more than 4 times the average for all occupations.11
- Nearly 30,000 new jobs are expected to be added in that time frame.11
- The highest employment rate for social and community service managers is in the individual and family services industry.12

CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES13

Roles
Worker, manager, specialist, coordinator, supervisor, or director in areas such as:

- Adoption services
- Case work
- Child welfare/child protection
- Community outreach and services
- Social services
- Family support
- Mental health and substance abuse
- Social, human, and community services
- Health care and nursing facilities
- Community and vocational rehabilitation services
- Schools

Settings
- Federal/state/local government agencies
- Organizations for children and families
- Nonprofits
- Schools

CENTER FOR CAREER ADVANCEMENT

Our Career Specialists offer the following assistance:

- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND HONOR SOCIETIES

Tau Upsilon Alpha Honor Society
Human Services Club

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission

Purdue Global is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC (HLCcommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

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