

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

# HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS



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### **Message From Our Dean**



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MA and BA in Communications, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville To those considering enrolling in one of our programs, we thank you for your interest and inquiry. I'm proud to say that our programs are designed to prepare students to become active professionals and leaders in careers that are cornerstones to developing and sustaining communities, ensuring proper oversight, and advocating for general and need-based populations. Needless to say, our students tend to have a heightened drive to pursue their goals and a passion for their personal aspirations.

We recognize and respect that talent and tenacious commitment by offering degrees and concentrations built on principles of communication, social awareness, critical thinking, and ethical decision-making to address the complex, evolving, and at times unique challenges our students will face in their careers. Purdue University Global's interactive platform provides students with the opportunity to exchange ideas with like-minded classmates and faculty in an environment that encourages individuals to become change agents.

Every day, I see determined individuals driven to acquire the skills, knowledge, and presence of mind they need to "advance confidently in the direction of their dreams," to quote philosopher Henry David Thoreau.

Over the past 15 years, I've been fortunate to learn how many of our students have done just that, making a difference and fulfilling their personal and professional dreams.

I take pride in knowing that Purdue Global helped our graduates take the next step in their careers and in their lives. It's a thrilling, rewarding, and, more than anything, inspiring experience. I hope you will consider becoming a part of our exciting online academic community.

Sara Sandu

# College of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Purdue Global

## Purdue's Online University for Working Adults

Backed by one of the most respected universities in the nation, Purdue Global is built for the driven adult learner. Get the online flexibility you need to fit a respected degree into your life.

#### An Entire Campus, Online

The hub of your student life is entirely online at Purdue Global Campus. This is where you'll find all of your courses, degree plans, support services, and the tools and resources you need to succeed.

#### **Cutting-Edge Courses**

At Purdue Global, your courses will be interactive and engaging. We use advanced technology and enhanced delivery methods that make classes accessible and easy to use. Navigate lessons and web field trips with a simple click, and communicate with fellow students and faculty through discussion boards.

#### Learning Online, But Not on Your Own

Online learning has a reputation for being a solitary experience. Not at Purdue Global. Connect to peers and faculty in and out of class through a variety of opportunities including:

- Live seminars
- Roundtable discussions
- Speaker series webinars that connect students, alumni, subject-matter experts, and industry leaders
- Discussion boards to foster lively academic discussions
- Social media tools including school-specific Facebook pages and community interactions
- Special career-specific activities, events, and clubs that allow you to meet and network with people in your field

#### Giving You the Credit You Deserve

You've spent years working hard and building knowledge, and Purdue Global values your experiences. We offer several pathways that help you save time and money as you earn your degree:

- Earn academic credit for prior college education, as well as work and life experience<sup>1</sup>
- Choose an accelerated bachelor's-to-master's degree option<sup>2</sup>
- Qualify for reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, including Guard and Reserve, military veterans, and their spouses
- Start whenever you're ready our 10-week academic terms begin every month

#### **Academic Quality**

#### Career-Focused Curriculums

Come back qualified for the roles you want.<sup>2</sup> Our programs and courses are regularly monitored to ensure current industry alignment. Purdue Global is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC (HLCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### **Expert Faculty With Real-World Experience**

Our faculty are experienced practitioners, many of whom hold advanced degrees in their respective fields. They have the first-hand knowledge and subject-matter proficiency to shape our curriculum to meet your needs. Nearly all of Purdue Global's more than 1,500 faculty members (98%) have an advanced academic degree; 48% hold a doctorate.<sup>3</sup>

#### Personalized Degree Paths

Whether entering a new field or enhancing your established career, Purdue Global delivers a curriculum that helps you reach your unique goals.<sup>2</sup> Personalize your degree through concentrations or open electives that set you up for success.

#### A Network of Good

There's a growing need for professionals who contribute to the well-being of society. Don't just go back to school — come back stronger and more prepared than ever to support your community. Whether your passion resides in applying and interpreting laws and regulations, improving community governance, or making a difference in an individual's life, Purdue Global is here to help you advance in your chosen field and bring about positive change.<sup>2</sup>

## TRY OUR CLASSES BEFORE YOU OWE ANY TUITION.



#### That's the Purdue Global Commitment

You should feel fully confident about where you choose to pursue your education — before you owe any tuition.

Start your comeback with a Purdue Global undergraduate program for an introductory 3-week period to see if online learning is right for you.4



## **Degrees and Programs**

Purdue Global's College of Social and Behavioral Sciences offers a wide breadth of academic programs that develop professionals, leaders, and change agents in fields that make a difference in response to human and societal causes, issues, and needs. Whether you are planning to start or advance your career, or are pursuing a career change, our programs can help you meet your goals.<sup>2</sup>



#### **Clubs and Organizations**

Purdue Global's Office of Student Life offers programs and services aimed at helping students engage in their program of study outside the classroom and providing both personal and professional growth opportunities.

Student organizations include: Human Services Club

Ambassadors and Leaders Group Law Society

Autism Speaks U Student Military Association

Educators Association Opportunities With Life Studies (OWLS)

Psychology Club

#### **Honor Societies**

Your academic achievement deserves recognition.

University chapters include:

Alpha Beta Kappa Honor Society

Golden Key International Honour Society

National Society of Collegiate Scholars

Psi Chi (International Honor Society in Psychology)

The Society for Collegiate Leadership and

Achievement

Tau Upsilon Alpha Honor Society (National Honor

Society in Human Services)

### **Human Services**

Purdue Global's human services programs are generalist degrees focused on the helping professions and designed to prepare you for a number of relevant service roles in today's society. In addition to the master's and bachelor's degrees in human services, Purdue Global offers a Human Services Certificate in Child and Family Services and a Human Services Certificate in Elder Care Services. We also offer micro-credentials in Diversity and Social Problems, Prevention, and Crisis Intervention. Micro-credentials are a set of courses that develop your knowledge and skills in a specific area that can be taken as a stand-alone set of courses or within a program.

## **Associate of Applied Science in Human Services**

If you are interested in helping others and making a difference in their lives, our associate's degree in human services can help you gain the skills you need. You can learn to assess the situations of society's most vulnerable and provide services to meet their needs.

The curriculum will provide you with a solid foundation in human services principles that can be applied in areas such as mental health, social services, education, rehabilitation, group and community work, and workplaces such as nursing homes, hospitals, and clinics. You will learn to critically evaluate policies driving human service agencies, and decide the best ways to intervene on behalf of the clients you serve.

This program adheres to the curriculum standards of the Council of Standards in Human Service Education<sup>5</sup> and fulfills the educational requirements to sit for the Human Services—Board Certified Practitioner (HS-BCP™) exam offered by the Center for Credentialing & Education.<sup>6</sup>

#### Get a Head Start on Your Bachelor's Degree

Transfer your associate's degree in human services credits into Purdue Global's online bachelor's degree in human services.<sup>7</sup>

HIGHLIGHTED COURSES	
CM206	Interpersonal Communications
HN115	Human Services Program and Profession
HN144	Human Behavior and the Environment
HN200	Survey of Social Problems
HN205	Applied Skills for Human Services
HN220	Prevention and Crisis Intervention
SS144	Sociology
HN299	Associate's Capstone for Human Services

#### Bachelor of Science in Human Services

If making a positive impact in the lives of others is your calling, our bachelor's degree in human services can help get you started. You can select one of three concentrations in human services administration, child and family welfare, and gerontology.

The well-rounded curriculum is designed to prepare you for the many challenges encountered in today's society and draws from multiple disciplines, such as health services, psychology, sociology, law, and criminal justice. Depending on your concentration you'll gain the knowledge and skills needed to enter the helping professions in areas such as children and adoption services, mental health, social services, rehabilitation, group and community work, or workplaces including nursing homes, hospitals, and clinics.

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#### Fast Track to a Master's Degree

Our flexible degree pathways allow you to work toward a Purdue Global master's degree in public administration, human services, legal studies, or psychology while you earn your bachelor's degree. Complete both your bachelor's degree and master's degree in less time and at a lower cost than completing both programs separately.

This program was not designed to lead to certification or licensure as a social worker or counselor in any specific state, and Purdue Global makes no representations or warranties as to whether the degree or any individual courses meet such requirements. Refer to the University Catalog for additional information.

HIGHLIGHTED COURSES		
HN115	Human Services Program and Profession	
HN144	Human Behavior and the Environment	
HN205	Applied Skills for Human Services	
HN220	Prevention and Crisis Intervention	
CJ333	Family and Domestic Violence	
CJ420	Juvenile Justice	
HN330	Case Management in Human Services	
HN347	Public Personnel Administration	
HN365	Psychology of Aging	
HN370	Child Welfare and Family	
HN377	Studies in Child and Adolescent Development	
HN400	Proposal Designs for Human Services	
HN420	Social and Health Care Issues in Aging	
HN430	Advocacy for Families and Youth	
HN450	Legal and Ethical Issues in Human Services	
HN499	Bachelor's Capstone for Human Services	



#### Master of Science in Human Services

The Master of Science in Human Services is designed for current professionals who are committed to improving the quality of life for all people.

The program can help prepare you to advance in a position or to pursue leadership positions in a variety of nonprofit, government, or private agencies that help drive positive change for families and communities.<sup>2</sup>

The program adheres to the curriculum standards of the Council for Standards in Human Services Education<sup>5</sup> and offers two degree concentrations: family and community services, and organizational and social services.

Both core courses and concentration courses provide a comprehensive education in theory and practice. You will work on developing critical-thinking and problem-solving skills that can assist you in meeting your personal and professional goals in your chosen concentration area.

HIGHLIGHTED COURSES		
HN501	Foundations of Human Services	
HN502	History, Multiculturalism, and Diversity in Human Services	
HN505	Skills and Practice in Human Services	
HN510	Professional Ethics and Personal Values	
HN598	Master's Internship in Human Services	
HN599	Master's Capstone in Human Services	
Family and Community Services Concentration		
HN520	Family Resilience Across the Life Span	
HN521	Developing and Delivering Family Services	
HN522	Advocacy for Children and Families	
Organizational and Social Services Concentration		
HN530	Research, Grant Writing, and Funding	
HN531	Program Development and Administration	
HN532	Organizational Nonprofit Management	

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### **Admissions**

Purdue Global is committed to admitting individuals who are academically prepared to succeed in our programs. We are also committed to making the process as easy and straightforward as possible. Your Admissions Advisor will walk you through the entire process and is there to answer your questions.

#### **Admissions Overview**

Specific admissions requirements vary by program, and details can be found in the University Catalog (Catalog.PurdueGlobal.edu). No matter what educational or career path you choose, you can expect to do the following:

- Complete an interview with your Admissions
   Advisor in which you identify your educational
   and professional goals, ask questions, and explore
   whether Purdue Global is right for you.
- Take a virtual tour to see what our online classrooms are really like.
- Submit any required documents (e.g., unofficial transcripts).
- Complete and sign your Enrollment Agreement.

#### **Basic Requirements**

#### **Undergraduate Applicants**

You must have completed high school or received a General Equivalency Diploma (GED) or other approved equivalent.

#### **Graduate Applicants**

You must have completed a bachelor's degree program at an accredited college or university with a 2.5 cumulative grade point average (CGPA) or higher.

#### **International Applicants**

You will need to provide evidence of English language proficiency.

Transcripts from foreign institutions must meet the same requirements as domestic institutions and must be translated and evaluated by an approved foreign credential evaluator prior to enrollment.



#### **ONLINE LIBRARY**

Access books and other resources without having to leave your desk.

Through the Purdue Global Library's website, you will have access to thousands of e-books and periodicals, including professional, scholarly, and trade journals, and other monographs. Because library skills are an integral part of your academic achievement, guidance on the use of our research tools and resources is available to you through interactions with library staff, video demonstrations, and other instructional aids. Professional librarians and trained support personnel are available to assist you by email, live chat, and telephone.

## **Paying For School**

#### **Financial Aid**

Our Student Finance Office works with you from enrollment to graduation to ensure you understand your financial options and to help you plan the most efficient use of your resources. Together, we'll help you find the fastest, most affordable path to your degree.

Before enrolling at Purdue Global, we encourage you to explore all available financial options, including employer tuition benefits, military tuition assistance, and tuition reductions.

Financial aid is available to those who qualify. Financial aid awards vary depending on individual student eligibility and need.

## Loans (Subject to Eligibility Requirements)

- Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan (undergraduate only)
- Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan
- Federal PLUS Loan and Graduate Federal PLUS Loan
- Alternative Loans

#### Other Agencies and Programs for Eligible Students

- Promise Jobs
- Veterans Administration Benefits
- Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES)

#### **Employer Relationships**

Purdue Global partners with a variety of organizations to provide educational benefits to their employees. Speak with your human resources department about your eligibility for benefits including:

- Tuition reduction on undergraduate and graduate programs
- Textbooks included for undergraduate programs
- Additional savings for Indiana resident employees

## **Giving You the Credit You Deserve**

You've spent years working hard and building knowledge, and Purdue Global values your experiences. It's time to get credit for the life you've lived and all you've already learned. We offer several pathways to turn that experience into college credit<sup>1</sup>:

- Transfer of eligible credits earned at an accredited institution
- College credit opportunities for work and life experiences
- Competency assessments to earn course credit
- Credit for eligible professional certifications
- PME2Degree™ program that awards college credit for military training

To apply for credit, you must first submit official transcripts, course descriptions, and supporting documentation to the Office of the Registrar.

Visit Catalog.PurdueGlobal.edu for the Prior Learning policy.

Note: Unless by specific arrangement, graduate students are not eligible for experiential credit or credit by examination.

## **Uncompromising Support**

## Come Back With a Community by Your Side

You're not alone on your educational journey. From highly engaged faculty to technical assistance and career guidance, you'll have access to a variety of resources that help you achieve your most ambitious goals.

#### **Personal Support**

Student support staff work with you one on one to provide individualized guidance on:

- Degree planning
- Answers to questions about your program
- Motivation to stay on track to graduation
- Access to resources and academic tools
- Course selection and registration
- Helping you handle issues before they become problems

## **Tutoring Services and Academic Success Centers**

Purdue Global offers rich academic support through a suite of tutoring services. Our Writing Center, Math Center, Technology Center, Science Center, and Business Center provide subject-specific assistance. Depending on the center, services can include:

- Live tutoring from faculty and professional tutors
- Subject support, including an essay review service
- · Workshops covering a wide range of topics
- Podcasts, self-paced tutorials, and additional resources

#### **Center for Career Advancement**

Career Specialists help you leverage your education and professional experience to market yourself toward the roles you're after.<sup>2</sup>

The Center for Career Advancement offers:

- Career planning to ensure a personalized approach to pursuing your goals
- Résumé and cover letter reviews, mock interview assistance, and networking advice
- 24/7 access to the Center for Career Advancement portal on Purdue Global Campus, which includes job postings and career services tools
- An official competency report that lets you show employers your work-related skills and readiness to contribute on day one
- A mentoring program to help connect you with alumni in your field

#### **Student Accessibility Services**

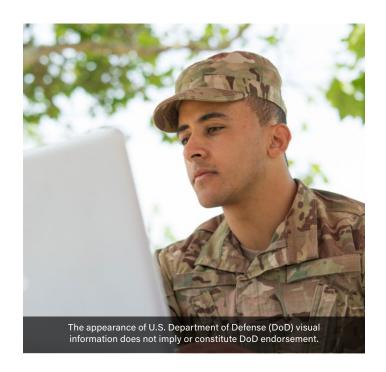
We're committed to making quality online education accessible to all. Students seeking reasonable and appropriate accommodations may request, through student support staff or directly, to contact Student Accessibility Services.

### **Military Overview**

#### **Here for Every Military Comeback**

If you or your spouse served in the U.S. Armed Forces, Purdue Global provides support to help you reach your educational and career goals — whether military or civilian. That includes:

- Reduced tuition for servicemembers, including National Guard and Reserve, spouses, and veterans
- College credit for DANTES/CLEP exams and eligible military occupations or training
- Specially trained staff within our Military Student Support Center who understand military culture, procedures, and complex military educational benefits
- Compliance with Executive Order 13607, establishing principles of excellence for educational institutions serving servicemembers, veterans, their spouses, and other family members
- Special deployment policies if you need to drop a course or take a leave of absence due to a deployment or change of orders



### **About Purdue Global**

Backed by the power of Purdue University, Purdue Global delivers a fully personalized online experience that's tailored to the unique needs of the adult learner. It's built specifically for working adults who want a degree they can be proud of, and one that employers will respect.

Purdue Global offers more than 175 online programs at the associate's, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels, with courses taught by highly respected faculty members who are experts in their fields.<sup>3</sup> Our dedicated faculty and support teams are here every step of the way to help you make your comeback real, providing one-on-one mentoring, educational advising, and comprehensive career services from day one to graduation and beyond.



If you have questions about admissions requirements or financial aid, or need help determining which program is right for you, contact an Advisor.



#### Call 844-PURDUE-G or visit PurdueGlobal.edu.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION-PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer information, visit Info.PurdueGlobal.edu.

Degree plan information is current as of November 8, 2023, and is subject to change. For official course offerings, programs, and curriculum requirements, please refer to Catalog.PurdueGlobal.edu.

- 1. Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit from any of these sources. See the University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy. Graduate students are not eligible for experiential credit.
- 2. Purdue Global does not guarantee employment placement or career advancement. Actual outcomes vary by geographic area, previous work experience and opportunities for employment.
- 3. Statistics include all Purdue Global faculty members and are not school or program-specific calculations. Source: Purdue Global Office of Reporting and Analysis, July 2022. 2021-2022 academic year.
- 4. Classes count toward a degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for new qualifying undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Students who choose to continue their studies at Purdue Global will need to meet specific requirements. Graduate programs not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see the University Catalog.
- 5. Programs are not accredited by the Council of Standards in Human Service Education.
- 6. Students are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. The University cannot guarantee students will be eligible to sit for or pass exams. In some cases, work experience, additional coursework beyond the Purdue Global program, fieldwork, and/or background checks may be necessary to be eligible to take or to successfully pass the exams.
- 7. The University cannot guarantee that students will be granted admission to any future programs. Speak to an Advisor about admissions requirements and transfer credit opportunities and see the University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.



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