

# 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.<sup>1</sup>

### AFFORDABLE TUITION

Lower the cost of your education through our Tuition Cap, military discounts, employer reimbursement options, and more.<sup>2</sup> Our average bachelor's graduate with prior college credits saves 45% on University tuition.<sup>3</sup>

### FACULTY EXPERTISE

Learn from human services professionals with extensive experience in the field. All professors 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.<sup>4</sup>

### 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*.<sup>5</sup>

## TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR EDUCATION AND YOUR CAREER

### Prepare for Certification<sup>6</sup>

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, human services, legal studies, or psychology while you earn your bachelor's degree.<sup>7</sup> 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

**Program Length:** 2–4 years<sup>8</sup>

**Course Load:** 2–3 per term

**Terms:** 10 weeks long

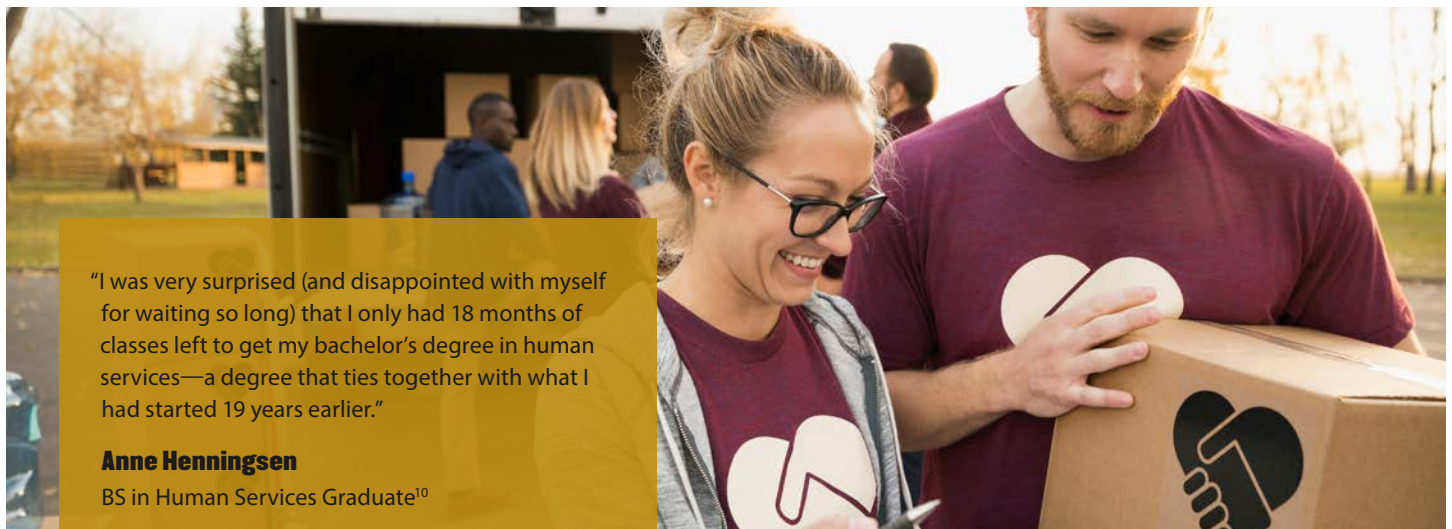
**Start Dates:** Throughout the year

## MEMBER OF THE CSHSE

This program is a member of the Council for Standards in Human Service Education (CSHSE) and adheres to the curriculum standards set forth by the CSHSE; however, it is not accredited by this agency.<sup>9</sup>

## ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

- Master of Science in Human Services
- Master of Science in Psychology
- Master of Public Administration
- Master of Public Health



"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<sup>10</sup>

# CAREER AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

## INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

- Employment of community and social service occupations is expected to grow faster than average from 2016 to 2026.<sup>11</sup>
- More than 370,000 new jobs are expected to be added in that time frame.<sup>11</sup>
- The highest employment rate for social and community service managers is in the individual and family services industry.<sup>12</sup>

## CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES<sup>13</sup>

### 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

### Settings

- Federal/state/local government agencies
- Organizations for children and families
- Nonprofits
- Health care and nursing facilities
- Community and vocational rehabilitation services
- Schools

## CAREER SERVICES

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

This accreditation covers all academic programs, all regional locations, and all programs provided via distance education. Contact the HLC at HLCCommission.org or call 800-621-7440.

## Military Friendly

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



This accolade was awarded prior to the March 2018 purchase of Kaplan University by Purdue University and subsequent creation of Purdue University Global. Purdue Global cannot guarantee future accolades.

Contact an Admissions Advisor at **844-PURDUE-G** or visit **www.PurdueGlobal.edu**.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer and gainful employment information, visit [Info.PurdueGlobal.edu](http://Info.PurdueGlobal.edu).

- 1 Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit from any of these sources. See the University Catalog for Prior Learning Assessment policy.
- 2 Read our FAQs for the full list of Tuition Cap programs: [www.purdueglobal.edu/tuition-cap-frequently-asked-questions.pdf](http://www.purdueglobal.edu/tuition-cap-frequently-asked-questions.pdf). Tuition reductions may not be combined with Purdue Global scholarships, grants, military tuition reductions, tuition vouchers, or other discounts or Tuition Cap or ExcelTrack™ pricing.
- 3 Kaplan University online bachelor's degree students who graduated in 2017 and entered their program with eligible transfer credits saved an average of \$30,000 toward the total degree. Note: these data were reported prior to the March 2018 purchase of Kaplan University by Purdue University and subsequent creation of Purdue University Global. Campus tuition and transfer credit savings vary by location. Savings based on overall cost of completion without transfer credit. Calculation based on total transfer credit times cost per credit in student's program of study. Individual savings will vary. Calculation includes campus and military students. Future transfer credit savings are subject to review and the academic policies of Purdue Global.
- 4 No financial obligation beyond the application fee. 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 Source: [www.timeshighereducation.com/student/best-universities/best-public-universities-united-states](http://www.timeshighereducation.com/student/best-universities/best-public-universities-united-states). Rankings apply to Purdue University West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.
- 6 Students are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. Please note that you must meet post-degree experience requirements in order to earn the HS-BCP credential. The University cannot guarantee students will be eligible to sit for or pass exams.
- 7 The University cannot guarantee that students will be granted admission to any future programs. Speak to an Advisor about transfer credit opportunities and see the University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.
- 8 Purdue Global online bachelor's degree students who graduated in the 2017–2018 academic year and applied eligible external (transfer, experiential, or credit by exam) credits earned an average of 82 credits or 8 terms toward their total degree. This excludes undergraduate nursing students. Term estimates are based on completion of two 5- or 6-credit courses per term. Individual credits earned will vary. Please see the University Catalog for Purdue Global's Prior Learning Assessment policy. Source: Purdue Global Office of Records Analysis and Reporting.
- 9 The Center for Credentialing & Education can be contacted at: 3 Terrace Way, Greensboro, NC 27403-3660; Tel: 336.482.2856; [www.cce-global.org](http://www.cce-global.org).
- 10 This testimonial was obtained by Kaplan University. Purdue University acquired Kaplan University in March 2018 and created Purdue University Global, which is following the same curriculum format and instructional delivery methods as developed and used by Kaplan University. The views and opinions expressed are those of the individual; student experiences may vary.
- 11 Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Community and Social Service Occupations. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.
- 12 Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Employment and Wages*, May 2017, Social and Community Service Managers.
- 13 Purdue Global cannot guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization. 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.