HUMAN SERVICES

The Bachelor of Science in Human Services includes studies in general education, general biblical studies, general studies and a specialization in one of the following fields: Counseling, Psychology, Social Work, or Criminal Justice. This degree is designed for those individuals seeking studies in a general broad-based discipline with a major in one of the human services professions. Graduates of the program will be qualified to work in entry level human service career fields related to one of the human service academic specializations. This degree will additionally provide preparation for graduate study in the student’s chosen human services area. An outstanding aspect of the degree is an accommodation for a significant degree of flexibility for transfer students and others who come to SAGU and desire to continue their professional development in a human service profession without losing a significant amount of transfer credit. This degree prepares graduates for marketplace vocational positions in various private and public human service agencies. This may include mental health facilities, social service organizations, nonprofit faith-based facilities, government agencies and private companies. The primary mission of the Human Services degree is to expand the professional development of students in their chosen specialization area with knowledge and skills from the areas of general studies, Bible and theology, church ministry, and the areas of human services which are Counseling, Psychology, Social Work or Criminal Justice. This degree provides most of the prerequisites for graduate work in the selected Human Service profession.

Upon completion of this program students will be able to:

1. Discuss the basic foundations, concepts and theories of counseling, psychology, social work or criminal justice.
2. Apply knowledge of human service variables that affect individual, family and group behavior, and use theoretical frameworks from specific specializations to understand interactions.
3. Be prepared for future service in areas of specializations.
4. Demonstrate the ability to establish rapport with clients from diverse backgrounds.
5. Demonstrate professional behavior.
6. Explain a biblically-based integrated model of human services with a specialization.
7. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the core subjects in the area of Bible and Church Ministry.
8. Demonstrate the use of biblical values and ethics in the various service settings.

Additional Program Stipulations

1. All students are to include one Bible, theology, or religion course each semester until degree requirements have been satisfied.
2. First year students enrolled full-time are to include GES 1122 in their first semester program.
3. First year students are to enroll in activity physical education courses each of their first two semesters at SAGU. Exceptions will be granted only with approval of the College Dean.
4. Veterans with at least 6 months of service may apply for and receive 4 hours of credit for physical education. Contact the Registrar’s office.