Credit Hours: 1
This course is designed to provide the participant with the skills to respond to acute cardiovascular situations in and out of the hospital setting.

Social and Human Services

SHMS 150  Case Management in Human Services
Prerequisite: None
Credit Hours: 3
This is an introductory course focusing on observation, evaluation and record keeping in the human services field. The application of case records, is the major focus of this course. Successful students demonstrate observation skills, analyze behavioral scales and checklists, and develop informal assessment tools. Students discuss objectivity in assessment, evaluation and documentation. Students consider the many different environments where case management may take place from the Department of Family Services to veteran organizations. The final exam will include a simulated case management intake interview with a live participant.

SHMS 220  Community Resources Issues in Human Services
Prerequisite: None
Credit Hours: 3
This course helps students develop a framework for understanding social problems and social welfare policies so they may function as informed and competent practitioners in providing human services, and as committed participants in efforts to achieve change in social policies and programs. Topics include, but are not limited to, poverty, substance abuse, domestic violence, child abuse, elder abuse, sexual assault, corrections, veterans’ issues, health and mental health services, and disability. Students will become familiar with a variety of community resources available to provide assistance in these areas.

SHMS 270  Social and Cultural Diversity and Inequality
Prerequisite: None
Credit Hours: 3
This course is designed to familiarize students with social, cultural, and diversity issues that human services professionals will encounter in the process of providing services to their clients/patients. It centers on diversity and vulnerable populations as related to groups, organizations, communities, and special populations as a context of practice and intervention. Throughout this course, students will explore how elements of the social structure construct categories of race, class, gender, sexuality, disability, and age have been transformed into systems of oppression and privilege. Appropriate theoretical frameworks and the interplay of human services values and ethics will be linked to these mezzo and macro areas of focus.

Sociology

SOCI 101 (2280)  Sociology  KRSN SOC1010**
Prerequisite: None
Credit Hours: 3
This course examines human social interactions and relationships between groups. Within the context of classical and contemporary sociology, the course provides an overview of the study of society, the individual in society, social inequality, social institutions, social change, and social issues.

SOCI 112 (2282)  Introduction to Social Work  KRSN SOC1020**
Prerequisite: None
Credit Hours: 3
A survey of the human services fields, this course examines social welfare agencies and services, as well as career opportunities in social work.

SOCI 122  Basic Helping Skills  KRSN SOC1020**
Prerequisite: Co-requisite: SOCI 123  Basic Helping Skills Experience
Credit Hours: 3

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This course combines the theories of social work practice with the learning of social work practice skills using common models and theoretical frameworks. This course presents ecological models, the strength-based, problem-solving process, dominant brief therapies, and cultural competence as approaches to practice in social work. This course presents and provides structured practice of the fundamental interpersonal skills required for effective social work practice. The course teaches interviewing skills and critical thinking about interview processes, (from intake through termination and evaluation) and focuses primarily on using those skills with individuals. The models, theories, and processes learned in this course serve as the foundation for generalist practice with individuals, families, groups, and communities. This course will give students an opportunity to practice these skills in a laboratory setting on a weekly basis. This course also includes a 48-hour volunteer experience in a social agency. (SOCI 123 Basic Helping Skills Experience)

SOCI 123 Basic Helping Skills Experience  
Prerequisite: Co-requisite: SOCI 122 Basic Helping Skills  
Credit Hours: 1  
Students will be exposed to the social work clinical setting. Students will participate in 48 hours of supervised volunteer service at an approved location.

SOCI 201 (1350) Marriage and Family  
Prerequisite: None  
Credit Hours: 3  
Marriage, family, and alternative lifestyles are closely examined from a sociological and theoretical perspective. Discussion will focus on how relationships and gender roles have changed, attitudes and decision-making in regard to sexuality, and changes in the marital relationship across time.

SOCI 203 (2283) Social Problems  
Prerequisite: None  
Credit Hours: 3  
This course examines well-defined social problems in both theoretical and practical ways. The social problems studied will give the student a base for analyzing and understanding social problems prevalent in society today. A wide variety of topics are discussed including poverty, race and ethnic relations, gender and social inequality, crime, and sexual deviance.

SOCI 207 (2220) Anthropology  
Prerequisite: None  
Credit Hours: 3  
An introductory study of diverse human cultures throughout the world, both past and present. The physical and cultural systems of various people will be examined through kinship ties, economics, religion, government, and the arts.

Special Interest

PARA 131 (1550) Beginning Sign Language  
Prerequisite: None  
Credit Hours: 3  
This course is intended to provide individual as well as group learning, discussion, practice and utilization in signing conversations with hearing impaired individuals at a beginning level. Vocabulary introduced will be modeled and practiced in sentence form with each other and by the instructor. Learning the alphabet, numbers and then categories of vocabulary will be introduced weekly along with extra vocabulary and semantic items selected from other sources other than the required text books.

PARA 132 (1551) Intermediate Sign Language  
Prerequisite: PARA 131 Beginning Sign Language  
Credit Hours: 3  
An intermediate course in manually coded English. Emphasis is on reading and signing exact English. A basic orientation to paraprofessional interpreting in a school setting will be covered.

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