

Associate of Science

Articulated with the Human Service Program at Southern Oregon University

2022/23 Academic Year

About the Program

The Associate of Science degree is based on a signed articulation agreement with Southern Oregon University (SOU). It has been developed in close cooperation with the College of Arts and Sciences at SOU. The SOU departments of psychology and sociology/anthropology offer an interdisciplinary bachelor's degree program focusing on the needs of human service professionals, a Bachelor of Arts or Science in Social Science. The RCC Associate of Science (AS) degree is fully articulated with SOU's Human Service program and allows students to transfer directly as juniors into the program at SOU with no loss of credits to pursue a bachelor's degree.

Students should contact the SOU Human Services program early in the first year of the AS program to be advised about additional requirements and procedures for admission to the school or program. Students should be aware that if they transfer before completing this degree, their courses will be evaluated individually toward the general education requirements in effect at SOU.

Entry Requirements

Students are required to take a placement test to determine skill level and readiness in math, reading, and writing. As part of their training program, students must begin with the courses within their skill levels as determined by placement test scores. In addition, students may also be required to enroll in classes that would increase their employability and success. A Human Services program advisor must provide advising and approval of a student's program prior to registration.

Prospective students should be aware of entry requirements of human services agencies prior to considering human services as a career choice. Criminal history may preclude employment in some agencies. Students should discuss their individual circumstances with advisors and determine if any issues might preclude employment in the field. Students in recovery seeking placement in substance abuse treatment programs may be required to demonstrate two years' sobriety.

Advanced Standing

Coursework from accredited colleges and universities will be accepted in accordance with college policies and the Human Service program head's approval. To ensure coursework is current, program courses over seven years old must be reviewed and approved by the appropriate department head before being accepted toward course requirements. Each "2+2" Early College Credit student must meet with a Human Services Department advisor to determine placement.

Graduation Requirements

Students must successfully complete all credits in this program with a grade of "C" or better and passing the counseling skills competency requirement as demonstrated through a series of videotaped counseling interviews, to receive their degrees. Certain required courses are graded on a pass/no pass basis only. A grade of "P" for these courses indicates a student earned a "C" or better grade. For admission to the SOU Human Service Program, RCC students who commence this AS degree Fall 2015 or later must earn a minimum grade of "C" in WR 122, MTH 243, PSY201, PSY 202, and SOC 204.

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COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE ARTICULATED WITH HUMAN SERVICES AT SOU

Writing and Oral Communication 12 Credits

Complete each of the following courses:

WR 121 English Composition I 4 (prerequisite course for the AS degree)

WR 122 English Composition II 4 or WR227 Technical Writing

COMM 111 Fundamentals of Public Speaking (prerequisite course for the AS degree)

Mathematics 4 credits

MTH 243 Statistics (4)

The Bachelor of Science degree requires two courses (7 or more credits) of math, designated programming, statistics, or logic courses. The second course may be completed at RCC or at SOU. Please see your advisor.

Humanities 9-11 credits

Complete at least three Humanities courses from the [SOU General Education Transfer Guide](#)

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree requires completion of 1 year of the same foreign language at 2nd year level or above, or 4 years of the same foreign language in high school (C-or better), or successful completion of a proficiency exam. Second year foreign language may simultaneously count for Humanities and the BA requirements. Please see your advisor for details.

Social Science 12 credits

The RCC AS degree requires the following courses which will also satisfy the SOU Social Science requirements.

PSY 201 General Psychology I 4
 PSY 202 General Psychology II 4
 SOC 204 Introduction to Sociology 4

Science 11 credits

Complete at least three Science courses from the [SOU General Education Transfer Guide](#) At least two of the courses must have labs

Core Courses to be completed at RCC

52 Credits

SOC243 or CJ 243 Drugs, Crime, and Addiction 4
 SOC 230 Introduction to Gerontology 4
 HE 208 HIV and Other Epidemics 1
 HS100 Introduction to Human Services 3
 HS115 Client Record Management 1
 HS152 Stress Management 1
 HS155 Interviewing Theory and Techniques 4
 HS 158 Trauma-informed Care: Theory and Practice 3
 HS170 Introduction to Practicum 3
 HS175 Ethics for Counselors 1
 HS261D Practicum and Seminar: Social Services or Substance Abuse 8
 HS200 Child Abuse/Neglect 3
 HS202 Counseling the Chemically Dependent Client I 3

HS210 Motivational Interviewing 3

HS265 Counseling Theories 3

HS260 Group Counseling 4

HS268 Co-occurring Disorders: Introductory Theory and Counseling 3

Total credit transferred ~92-95

Note: Students may choose to take courses that are not required for the RCC AS degree to complete SOU Lower Division General Education at SOU or RCC. It is best to work closely with an academic advisor to complete your degree at RCC.