

**HSCO 500**                      *Introduction to Human Services Counseling*                      3 Hours

This course explores the historical context and the current structure of the Human Service field. Students will be exposed to the primary intervention strategies utilized in human services including interviewing, case management and facilitating groups. The special populations served in the Human Service profession will be examined. Topics including values and ethical dilemmas, the social welfare system, diversity, program planning, organizing and changing systems, legal issues, staying current and avoiding burnout will be considered.

**HSCO 508**                      *Studies in Interpersonal Communication*                      3 Hours

An interactive learning experience designed to equip students with a comprehensive understanding of self and the “listening-to-understanding” skills which facilitate improved interpersonal communications in establishing and maintaining relationships with God and others.

**HSCO 509**                      *Multicultural Issues Human Services*                      3 Hours

This course examines contemporary scholarship on race/ethnic relations and addresses issues of racial/ethnic identities, gender inequality, and disability discrimination. It will examine social stratification by looking at various public policy arenas, social institutions, and the history of group marginalization. The course employs case studies, various readings, and theoretical and empirical literature on racial/ethnic relations, gender, and disability issues.

**HSCO 511**                      *Group Dynamics*                      3 Hours

This course involves the study of human beings in relationship to other persons, singularly and in groups. The course explores—in theory and through in-class exercises—the real-life application of various aspects of group dynamics including (but not limited to) leadership, motivation, perception, power, and decision-making.

**COUN 502**                      *Human Growth and Development*                      3 Hours

This course includes a survey of the organic, social, and psychological factors that influence the development of personality. It seeks to understand what makes a person distinctively different along with a critical evaluation of various theories of personality development, particularly as they relate to questions of values and religious commitment.

**COUN 506**                      *Integration of Psychology and Theology*                      3 Hours

Students critically examine the implications of a Christian worldview for counseling and marriage and family practice. Ethical issues relevant to the use of spiritual and religious interventions with individuals, couples, and families are considered, along with current research related to spirituality and counseling.