

## The Human Services Major

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The purpose of the human services major is to prepare a learner to understand the socioeconomic, psychological and political foundations of a multicultural society and to utilize that knowledge to identify needs and to coordinate and provide appropriate social services. A learner who has successfully completed a human services major at Upper Iowa University will be expected to:

1. Demonstrate understanding of psychological and sociological research methodologies. This characteristic is established through the successful completion of a combination of the following courses.

PSY 190      General Psychology *or*  
SOC 110      Principles of Sociology  
PSY/SOC 373 Research Methods  
PSY 454      Issues and Ethics in the Helping Professions  
PSY/SOC      Electives

2. Demonstrate understanding of psychological and sociological theories. This characteristic is established through the successful completion of a combination of the following courses.

PSY 190      General Psychology *or*  
SOC 110      Principles of Sociology  
PSY 454      Issues and Ethics in the Helping Professions  
PSY/SOC      Electives

3. Demonstrate a commitment to use ethical standards and considerations of psychology and sociology in research, writing, counseling, treatment, and interaction with others. This characteristic is established through the successful completion of a combination of the following courses.

PSY 190      General Psychology *or*  
SOC 110      Principles of Sociology  
PSY 454      Issues and Ethics in the Helping Professions  
PSY/SOC      Electives

4. Demonstrate a commitment to interact competently with members of the professional community. This characteristic is established through the successful completion of a combination of the following courses.

PSY 190      General Psychology *or*  
SOC 110      Principles of Sociology  
PSY/SOC 276 Methods in Human Services I  
PSY/SOC 277 Methods in Human Services II  
PSY 454      Issues and Ethics in the Helping Professions  
PSY/SOC      Electives

5. Demonstrate commitment to self-assessment within the context of the Human Service profession. This characteristic is established through the successful completion of a combination of the following courses.

PSY 190      General Psychology *or*  
SOC 110      Principles of Sociology  
PSY/SOC 276 Methods in Human Services I  
PSY/SOC 277 Methods in Human Services II  
PSY 454      Issues and Ethics in the Helping Professions  
PSY/SOC      Electives

6. Demonstrate an understanding of fundamental economic and political processes as they apply to the Human Service profession. This characteristic is established through the successful completion of a combination of the following courses.

PSY 190      General Psychology *or*  
SOC 110      Principles of Sociology  
PSY/SOC 276 Methods in Human Services I  
PSY/SOC 277 Methods in Human Services II  
BA 211      Macroeconomic Principles  
PSY/SOC 384 Social Welfare Programs and Policies  
PS 230      State and Local Government  
PS 362      The Legislative Process  
PA 364      Public Administration  
PS 412      American Constitutional Law II