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Human Services Career Cluster

The Human Services career cluster focuses on preparing individuals for employment in career pathways that relate to families and human needs, such as counseling and mental health services, family and community services, personal care services, and consumer services. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from community health workers to cosmetologists and nutritionists.

Statewide Program of Study: Family and Community Services

The Family and Community Services program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with social services, including child and human development and consumer sciences. This program of study includes managing social and community services, managing family and consumer sciences, and understanding career paths in social work or therapy for children, families, or school communities.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1
- Principles of Human Services
- Principles of Community Services
- Professional Communications
- Dollars and Sense

Level 2
- Human Growth and Development
- Child Development
- Child Development Associate Foundations
- Lifetime Nutrition and Wellness
- Interpersonal Studies
- Social and Community Services
- Entrepreneurship I

Level 3
- Family and Community Services
- Counseling and Mental Health

Level 4
- Career and Technical Education Project-Based Capstone
- Practicum in Human Services
- Practicum in Human Services + Extended Practicum in Human Services
- Practicum in Entrepreneurship
- Practicum in Entrepreneurship + Extended Practicum in Entrepreneurship
- Career Preparation for Programs of Study
- Career Preparation for Programs of Study + Extended Career Preparation

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Work-Based Learning Activities	• Participate in a community health worker apprenticeship at a community health center • Shadow a social worker in a community non-profit organization to learn about providing social and community services
Expanded Learning Opportunities	• Participate in FCCLA

Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Certified Psychiatric Technician, Level 1
- Child Development Associate (CDA)
- Community Health Workers
- Mental Health Technician Certification (MHTC)

Example Postsecondary Opportunities

Apprenticeships
- Community Health Worker Apprentice

Associate Degrees
- Social Work
- Human Development and Family Studies

Bachelor's Degrees
- Social Work
- Human Development and Family Studies

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees
- Mental Health Counseling
- Marriage and Family Therapy

Additional Stackable IBCs/License
- Certified Diabetes Educator

Example Aligned Occupations

Community Health Workers
Median Wage: $43,619
Annual Openings: 658
10-Year Growth: 25%

Social and Community Service Managers
Median Wage: $72,383
Annual Openings: 1,117
10-Year Growth: 22%

Child, Family, and School Social Workers
Median Wage: $50,378
Annual Openings: 1,976
10-Year Growth: 14%

Data Source: TexasWages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024.

For more information visit: https://tea.texas.gov/academics/college-career-and-military-prep/career-and-technical-education/hs-family-and-community-services-extendedpptx.pdf

Successful completion of the Family and Community Services program of study will fulfill requirements of the Public Services endorsement.

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Course Information

Level 1

Course	Prerequisites | Corequisites	Career Clusters
Principles of Human Services* 13024200 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Principles of Community Services* N1302542 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Professional Communications 13009900 (0.5 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Dollars and Sense* 13024300 (0.5 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Human Services **Recommended Corequisites**: None	

Level 2

Course	Prerequisites | Corequisites	Career Clusters
Human Growth and Development* 13014300 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Education and Training or Principles of Human Services **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Child Development* 13024700 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Human Services or Principles of Education and Training **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Child Development Associate Foundations 13024710 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Education and Training or Principles of Human Services **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Lifetime Nutrition and Wellness* 13024500 (0.5 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Human Services, Principles of Hospitality and Tourism, or Principles of Health Science **Recommended Corequisites**: None	

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Interpersonal Studies* 13024400 (0.5 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Human Services, Principles of Hospitality and Tourism, Principles of Health Science, or Principles of Education and Training **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Social and Community Services N1302543 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Community Services **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Entrepreneurship I* 13011101 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Business, Marketing and Finance **Recommended Corequisites**: None	

Level 3

Course	Prerequisites | Corequisites	Career Clusters
Family and Community Services* 13024900 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Human Services **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Counseling and Mental Health* 13024600 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Principles of Human Services **Recommended Corequisites**: None	

Level 4

Course	Prerequisites | Corequisites	Career Clusters
Career and Technical Education Project-Based Capstone First-Time Taken: 12701101 (1 credit)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	

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Course	Prerequisites | Corequisites	Career Clusters
Practicum in Human Services* First Time Taken: 13025000 (2 credits) Second Time Taken: 13025010 (2 credits)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Practicum in Human Services + Extended Practicum in Human Services* First Time Taken: 13025005 (3 credits) Second Time Taken: 13025015 (3 credits)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Practicum in Entrepreneurship* First Time Taken: 13011111 (2 credits)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** Entrepreneurship I and Entrepreneurship II, or successful completion of at least two courses in a CTE program of study **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Practicum in Entrepreneurship + Extended Practicum in Entrepreneurship* First Time Taken: 13011121 (3 credits)	**Prerequisites:** None **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites**: Entrepreneurship I and Entrepreneurship II, or successful completion of at least two courses in a CTE program of study **Recommended Corequisites:** None	
Career Preparation for Programs of Study* First Time Taken: 12701121 (2 credits)	**Prerequisites:** At least one Level 2 or higher CTE course **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	
Career Preparation for Programs of Study + Extended Career Preparation* First Time Taken: 12701141 (3 credits)	**Prerequisites:** At least one Level 2 or higher CTE course **Corequisites:** None **Recommended Prerequisites:** None **Recommended Corequisites**: None	

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