

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, B.A.

Health and Human Services is a fast-growing industry, and adaptability and flexibility with roles and settings is a hallmark of this profession. As a unique interdisciplinary major that embeds experiential learning, students have opportunities and options to prepare for a variety of careers in healthcare, social services, rehabilitation, policy, and program administration. Graduates in Health and Human Services may find employment with individuals across all age groups in a variety of organizational settings. For example, they may work in programs for youth or homeless families, health education, community outreach, job-training programs for people with disabilities, or health-focused agencies, such as the American Heart Association. The HHS majors also provide an appropriate foundation for graduate study in allied health and related professions.

As part of the program requirements, students choose a path that provides specific career preparation in the form of a certificate and/or gateway into selected graduate programs at Bay Path.

Students will complete a shared Health and Human Studies core of courses as well as specific coursework to their major that totals 15 credits, with the exception of the Health Science which totals 18 credits. Graduates of the Health Science major may be admitted to the MOT program pending grade point average and prerequisite requirements.

The Bachelor of Arts in Health and Human Services degree program offers the following majors:

- Counseling Studies Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/traditional-undergraduate/academic-programs/health-human-services/counseling-studies-ba/>)
- Health Science Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/traditional-undergraduate/academic-programs/health-human-services/health-sciences-ba/>)
- Integrative Health Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/traditional-undergraduate/academic-programs/health-human-services/integrative-health-ba/>)
- Public Health Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/traditional-undergraduate/academic-programs/health-human-services/public-health-ba/>)
- Special Education (Non-Licensure) Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/traditional-undergraduate/academic-programs/health-human-services/special-education-ba/>)
- Youth Development Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/traditional-undergraduate/academic-programs/health-human-services/youth-development-ba/>)

Student Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the Health and Human Services degree program are expected to:

- Articulate concepts and theoretical frameworks related to health and human services
- Use appropriate medical terminology to address health issues
- Identify and describe programs and services that meet consumer health needs

- Demonstrate an understanding of the role of culture and a respect for diversity in the delivery and receipt of health care and human services
- Apply ethical practices and problem solving solutions to ethical dilemmas within health care and human services
- Evaluate legislative practices and social policy impacting health care and human services
- Demonstrate comprehension and skill with research methods and scientific inquiry, including use of APA format
- Practice professional communication and work productively, both independently and as part of a team.
- Effectively communicate using verbal, nonverbal and written skills
- Develop a career plan based on personal and professional strengths.
- Demonstrate career readiness skills, such as the ability to apply classroom learning to real world scenarios.