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The M.S. in Human Services focuses on applying research and theory to career practice, engaging in experiential learning, and mentoring of students. Courses address global and community family issues and trends, family culture and diversity, human services program planning and leadership, lifespan development stages from youth to older age, family resource management, financial literacy, family stress and resiliency, public policy, and grant writing.

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- Applications accepted year-round for enrollment
- Minimum GPA of 2.75
- Our program welcomes new and returning students, high school/middle school teachers, established professionals continuing in career development, and recent undergraduates.
- Students may elect to enroll full-time or part-time.
- GRE not required

TRANSFER HOURS ACCEPTED

The Graduate School and the Human Services Graduate Coordinator will evaluate up to a maximum of 12 transfer hours completed in another institution's accredited graduate program.

ONLINE OR IN-PERSON FORMAT

Students choose an online or a hybrid (online + face-to-face course delivery) format. The online option requires no on-campus visits and all online students, regardless of residency location, are charged in-state tuition rates.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS AVAILABLE

Graduate Assistants provide teaching, research, and service support in the Department of Human Services and in the Child and Family Life Education Center. Assistantships fund students with a three-semester tuition waiver along with a monthly stipend.

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CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS: 33 HRS MINIMUM

Core Requirements: 21 HRS

HSL 5450 - Leadership and Administration in Human Services Programming

HSL 5460 - Issues and Trends in Human Services Programming

HSL 5846 - Public Policy and Grant Writing for Human Services Programming

HSL 5850 - Theories of Human Development and Family Life

HSL 5852 - Adolescence and Emerging Adulthood

HSL 5900 - Research Methods

HSL 5950 - Thesis Credits: 3 to 6

OR

HSL 5990 - Human Services Independent Study. Credits: 1 to 6

OR

HSL 5980 - Internship. Credits: 3 to 6

Course Electives: 9-12 HRS

HSL 4770 - Family Budgeting and Debt Management

HSL 4775 - Human Services Programs and Resource Management

HSL 4820 - Death and Dying

HSL 4845 - Family Stress and Resilience

HSL 4846 - Aging and the Family

HSL 4850 - Human Services Programs: Community, Culture and Intersectionality

HSL 4854 - Leadership in Family Life Education

HSL 4859 - Administration of Youth and Family Services Programming

HSL 4860 - Addictions and the Family

HSL 5100 - Societal Theories of Aging

HSL 5230 - Special Topics in Human Services

HSL 5400 - Aging Policy in Action

Other courses may be substituted or added, as agreed upon by advisor and student.

- Some elective courses may have prerequisites or require permission of instructor.
- A minimum of 33 credit hours is required for degree completion.
- There is a 6-year time limit for degree completion.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

Information: go.eiu.edu/gradassist

Application: go.eiu.edu/GAapp

Graduate assistants work 18 hours/week during the fall and spring semesters. Graduate assistantship applications for the following academic year are due by February 15th. For more information on graduate assistantships, contact the Graduate Coordinator, Dr. Kathleen O'Rourke at kaorourke@eiu.edu.

ACCELERATED GRADUATE PROGRAM FOR EIU UNDERGRADUATES

Admission to the accelerated MS in Human Services requires that a student has completed a minimum of 60 hours of undergraduate or transfer course credit and has a minimum undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.25. In addition, applicants must have completed a minimum of 15 hours of Human Services courses.

ADMISSION

To apply for the accelerated MS in Human Services, applicants must meet the above requirements and submit an application at: go.eiu.edu/acceladmit

Upon acceptance to the program, students must complete the shared course request form and submit to the Graduate Coordinator: go.eiu.edu/coursequest

SHARED COURSEWORK

Students accepted into the accelerated graduate program may take up to 9 credit hours of the following courses as shared credit.

Please note that stated prerequisites will need to be completed before enrolling in the courses. Please work with your undergraduate academic advisor in the selection of the following shared courses.

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WANT MORE INFORMATION?

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