

**Program****HUMAN SERVICES TECHNOLOGY**

- *Associate in Applied Science (AAS), Diploma, Certificate*
- *Certificate in Social Services*
- *Certificate in Domestic Violence Intervention*
- *Certificate in Substance Abuse*
- *AAS Day or Evening Program: 4 semesters day; 6 semesters night*
- *Certificate Programs: 2 semesters*
- *Admission Cycle: Every semester*
- *Maximum Number Admitted Annually: Open*

Career Description

Human Service workers help social workers, health care workers, and other professionals to provide services to people. Human Services is a generic term for workers with a wide array of job titles, including case management aide, social work assistant, community support worker, mental health aide, community outreach worker, life skills counselor, or gerontology aide. They usually work under the direction of workers from a variety of fields, such as nursing, psychiatry, psychology, rehabilitative or physical therapy or social work.

Careers Available

Human Service opportunities are available as assistants to professional workers, intake interviewers, and human service technicians. Graduates often work in a variety of organizations including social service agencies, non-profit organizations, group and day treatment programs or any other agency in which there is a need for individuals to interact with clientele.

Entry-Level Salary

\$18,000 - \$25,000/yr.

Course of Study

Students will complete courses from a variety of disciplines. Emphasis in core courses is placed on the development of skill sets that are required to effectively interact with human service professionals and clients. A two-semester internship is required for degree-seeking students that provides working experience at a human services related location.

**Recommended
Courses and Skills**

English, psychology, sociology and computer applications.

**Helpful Personal
Attributes**

A strong desire to help others. Individuals who show patience, understanding, and caring in their dealings with others. Effective communication skills, a strong sense of responsibility, and an ability to manage time effectively.

Program Contact

If you would like additional information about the Human Services Technology Program, contact Ellen Wenner, Human Services Technology Program Coordinator, at 336.734.7956 or ewenner@forsythtech.edu.

How To Get Started

Apply online at www.forsythtech.edu. You may also request an application by calling 336.734.7253, or pick up an application at the Admissions Office, 123 Allman Center on the Forsyth Tech Main Campus, 2100 Silas Creek Parkway in Winston-Salem.