
Social & Behavioral Sciences

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The Social and Behavioral Sciences Department offers courses in anthropology, criminal justice, education, history, human services, political science, psychology, and sociology. It coordinates four curricula: human services management, human services, liberal arts and sciences: social science, and liberal arts and sciences: adolescent education (teacher education transfer).

The human services management bachelor's degree program prepares graduates for mid-level positions in human services and social services agencies requiring skills in both direct service to clients and in management. It also prepares them for transfer into graduate-level programs in such areas as human services, public administration, and social work administration.

The human services associate-level program prepares students for entry-level career positions in a variety of human service occupations or to continue their education in baccalaureate programs. Students who pursue careers upon graduation often work with the elderly or in early childhood, chemical dependency, or mental retardation programs. Students who transfer often select baccalaureate majors in human services management, social work, criminal justice, education, human services, psychology, and sociology.

The liberal arts and sciences: social science associate degree program is a transfer program that provides flexibility to students in their choice of future major. Students take considerable course work in psychology, sociology, and history, and additional courses in mathematics, English, the humanities, and the natural sciences. When transferring, students often select baccalaureate majors in psychology, anthropology, sociology, political science, history, gerontology, communications, early childhood/childhood education, adolescent education, and criminal justice.

The liberal arts and sciences: adolescent education (teacher education transfer) associate-level program prepares graduates to transfer to a four-year adolescent education program at a public or private college or university. Students may select one of six concentrations: history/social studies, English, math, physics, biology, or chemistry.

MISSION

Develop and offer excellent academic programs in human services, social sciences, and education and to develop and offer high-quality courses in the social and behavioral sciences that meet the program needs of the students of Alfred State.

FACILITIES

The department is housed in the Hunter Student Development Center, where mathematics, computer, and study skills labs, as well as classrooms, are equipped with the most recent technological teaching aids.

DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

[Criminal Justice](#) (AS)

[Criminal Justice](#) (BS)

[Human Services](#) (AS)

[Human Services Management](#) (BS)

[Liberal Arts & Sciences: Adolescent Education - Teacher Education Transfer](#) (AA)

[Liberal Arts & Sciences: Social Science](#) (AA)