

## FACULTY AGENDA ITEM

Date: November 6, 2023

Submitted by: Stacy Conner X1774

SUBJECT: New Program: Associate of Applied Science/ Human Services

Description: Proposal for Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Human Services

Rationale: This AAS degree is well suited for students who seek employment as behavioral health/mental health technicians and addiction technicians. Offering an applied associate degree that focuses on development of professional skills will situate students well for this level of employment and also would prepare students well to complete our BAS (Bachelor of Applied Science) degree should they wish to further their education. The inclusion of WU 101 and EN 200 as program requirements is fitting, as WU 101 teaches important career readiness skills with its focus on information literacy, global citizenship, technology, and wellness, while EN 200 teaches writing skills that are critical for succeeding in the workplace.

Program Demand: The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that employment for the applicable fields of "psychiatric technicians" and "social and human service assistants" is projected to grow by 9 percent from 2022 to 2032, a rate that is "much faster than average for all occupations." As Community Mental Health Centers in Kansas transition to become Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics, we anticipate increased need for students trained as behavioral health and addiction technicians -- positions for which the AAS degree is well suited. Additionally, we have had a number of students over the years in our BAS program who have dropped out of college without obtaining a degree. For many of them, the option of an AAS degree would provide a way for them to complete a degree and obtain gainful employment in the field.

Financial Implications: *Costs involved (none, new faculty, adjunct replacement, additional operating costs, etc)* No additional costs are anticipated.

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2024

Request for Action: *Approval by Faculty Senate*

Approved by: *AAC on 10/30/2023.*

*Faculty Senate*

Attachments **Yes X** No

# Program Change Request

## New Program Proposal

Date Submitted: 09/29/23 5:16 pm

Viewing: : **HS: Human Services/AAS**

Last edit: 10/31/23 8:35 am

Changes proposed by: Deborah Altus (deborah.altus)

Rationale for

Summarize

### General Information

Effective Catalog Edition	2024-2025
Department	Family and Human Services
College	School of Applied Studies
Degree Level	Undergraduate
Program Title	HS: Human Services/AAS
Degree to be Offered	Associate of Applied Science (AAS)
Is this program offered completely online?	No
Does this program lead to a teaching certification?	No
Program Code	
Is this program an interdisciplinary program?	No
Interdisciplinary	
CIP Code	440000 - Human Services, General.
Modality	Hybrid

### New Program Header

Statement of Justification/Rationale for Offering the Program

Pending WUBOR approval of the AAS Proposal 24-1:  
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### In Workflow

1. Acad Ops
2. HS Chair
3. Library
4. SAS Curr Policy Chair
5. SAS Dean
6. SAS Fac Council Chair
7. Governance Check
8. AA Committee
9. Faculty Senate
10. General Faculty
11. WUBOR
12. Final Acad Ops
13. Registrar

### Approval Path

1. 09/29/23 5:21 pm  
Holly Broxterman (holly.broxterman):  
Approved for Acad Ops
2. 10/02/23 12:31 pm  
Stacy Conner (stacy.conner):  
Approved for HS Chair
3. 10/02/23 12:46 pm  
Sean Bird (sean.bird):  
Approved for Library
4. 10/12/23 2:52 pm  
Michelle Shipley (michelle.shipley):  
Approved for SAS Curr Policy Chair
5. 10/12/23 4:50 pm  
Zach Frank (zach.frank):  
Approved for SAS Dean
6. 10/20/23 12:33 pm  
Michelle Shipley (michelle.shipley):  
Approved for SAS Fac Council Chair
7. 10/20/23 3:27 pm  
Holly Broxterman (holly.broxterman):  
Approved for Governance Check
8. 10/31/23 11:04 am  
Holly Broxterman (holly.broxterman):  
Approved for AA Committee

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## Projected Enrollment for the Initial Three Years of the Program

### Implementation

Full-                      Part-Time  
 Full-Time                Part-Time

#### Year 2

Full-Time Headcount Per Year	-	Part-Time Headcount Per Year	-
Full-Time Sem Credit Hrs Per Year	-	Part-Time Sem Credit Hrs Per Year	-

#### Year 3

Full-Time Headcount Per Year	-	Part-Time Headcount Per Year	-
Full-Time Sem Credit Hrs Per Year	-	Part-Time Sem Credit Hrs Per Year	-

## Employment

Employment  
 Opportunity  
 Information

## Admission and Curriculum

Admission Criteria

Total Number of                      30

Semester Credit

Hours for the

Degree

Curriculum

## Degree Requirements

In addition to the requirements stated below, students must complete 15 hours of General Education, all requirements for a Associate of Applied Science degree, and any additional hours needed to reach the minimum 60 credit hours required for graduation. Some of the courses below may also fulfill general education or other degree requirements. Please see your advisor for more information.

### Required Courses Inside Department <sup>1</sup>

<a href="#">HS 100</a>	Family and Human Services	3
<a href="#">HS 131</a>	Human Development	3
<a href="#">HS 250</a>	Skills for Helping Professionals	3
<a href="#">HS 323</a>	Service Coordination	3
<a href="#">HS 381</a>	Internship I	3
HS Electives (selected with advisor)		9
Subtotal		24

### Required Courses Outside Department <sup>1</sup>

<u>EN 200</u>	Intermediate College Writing	3
<u>WU 101</u>	The Washburn Experience	3
Subtotal		6
Total Hours		30

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A grade of "C" or better is required

Pathway

## Core Faculty

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Faculty Name \*Stacy Conner

Rank Associate Professor

Highest Degree PhD

Tenure Track Yes

Academic Area of Specialization Couple and Family Therapy

FTE to Proposed Program

Faculty Name Deborah Altus

Rank Professor

Highest Degree PhD

Tenure Track Yes

Academic Area of Specialization Psychology

FTE to Proposed Program

Faculty Name Zenova Williams

Rank Assistant Professor

Highest Degree PhD

Tenure Track Yes

Academic Area of Specialization Couple and Family Therapy

FTE to Proposed Program

Faculty Name Kara Langin

Rank Assistant Professor

Highest Degree PhD

Tenure Track Yes

Academic Area of Specialization Couple and Family Therapy

FTE to Proposed Program

Faculty Name	Dena Dean
Rank	Clinical Coordinator/Lecturer
Highest Degree	MSW
Tenure Track	No
Academic Area of Specialization	Social Work
FTE to Proposed Program	

## Faculty Workload Analysis

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Faculty Workload Analysis (describe how the course offering schedule and anticipated enrollments correlate to faculty lines)

### Supplemental Files

Reviewer	<b>Beth O'Neill (beth.oneill) (10/12/23 9:20 am):</b> Made adjustments to format
Comments	<b>Holly Broxterman (holly.broxterman) (10/31/23 8:35 am):</b> Approved by Academic Affairs Committee at their 10/30/23 meeting. Approving to move to Faculty Senate for their 11/6/23 meeting.