

# Community College of Philadelphia

## Behavioral Health/Human Services

### *Help Others to Help Themselves*

Would you like to work with people to improve their lives? Do you have the capacity to give to others who need help? The Behavioral Health/Human Services program provides relationship skills training for individuals who want to work in this growing field.

*Because the manner in which human service work is conducted is as important as knowledge of theories or techniques, students are encouraged to grow in personal awareness and effectiveness.*

The Behavioral Health/Human Services program prepares you to work effectively with people. It offers opportunities to:

- observe how people develop and behave
- consider the ways that social environments affect people
- examine the part you play as a behavioral health professional in the lives of others
- approach difficult situations with understanding
- respond effectively

A field placement at a human services agency enables you to test your skills and learn what to expect as a professional in this field. By combining theory with human service skills practice, the program's courses prepare you to enter the workforce or continue your education.

The Behavioral Health/Human Services program offers the benefit of a faculty of trained, licensed professionals, many with doctorates in psychology or social work.

In addition to the associate's degree you receive through the program, you can specialize and receive a certificate in any of the following areas:

- Addiction Studies
- Disabilities Studies
- Human Services
- Social Gerontology

#### **Career Paths**

The U.S. Department of Labor forecasts that home health care services, community care facilities for the elderly and residential mental retardation facilities will be among the 10 industries with the fastest wage and salary employment growth through 2014.

More than 60 percent of Behavioral Health/Human Services program graduates transfer and pursue further study leading to careers, including:



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- substance abuse counselor or behavioral health counselor
- case worker or case manager
- mental health counselor
- health educator
- social and human service assistant
- community and social service specialist

## The Behavioral Health/ Human Services Program

The A.A.S. program in Behavioral Health/  
Human Services provides opportunities to learn:

- case management
- client relationship-building
- techniques for working with groups and individuals
- professional responses to cultural differences
- professional values and ethical standards

### Salaries

Social and human service assistants –  
\$24,270\*

\*Median annual earnings in May 2004,  
courtesy of Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S.  
Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook  
Handbook, 2006-07 Edition*

Graduating with an A.A.S. degree prepares  
you to:

- enter one of the careers listed above  
in “Career Paths”
- apply your skills toward advancement  
in a current employment situation
- transfer for further study at a four-  
year institution

### College Information

Visit the College Website at [www.ccp.edu](http://www.ccp.edu)  
to find out about:

#### Academic Programs

[www.ccp.edu/site/academic/](http://www.ccp.edu/site/academic/)

#### Admissions Process

[www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/  
admissions\\_process.php](http://www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/admissions_process.php)

#### Transfer Agreements

[www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/  
transfer\\_agreements/](http://www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/transfer_agreements/)

#### Financial Aid

[www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/financial\\_aid/](http://www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/financial_aid/)

#### Scholarships and Awards

[www.ccp.edu/site/current/scholarships/](http://www.ccp.edu/site/current/scholarships/)

#### College Life

[www.ccp.edu/site/current/student\\_life/](http://www.ccp.edu/site/current/student_life/)

#### Directions to the College

[www.ccp.edu/site/locations/main.php](http://www.ccp.edu/site/locations/main.php)

The College has agreements with select  
four-year colleges and universities in the  
area that enable students to transfer  
seamlessly.

The program has flexible scheduling, in-  
cluding days, evenings and weekends. You  
can complete the program as a full-time or  
part-time student. Online courses are also  
offered.

### Areas of Study

Case Management, Counseling, Family and  
Domestic Violence and Crisis Management  
are some of the courses in the curriculum.

### Admission to the College

We accept students on an open enrollment  
basis, meaning that applications are accept-  
ed at all times of the year. For registration  
information, call **215-751-8010** or email  
**admissions@ccp.edu**.

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