



Division of Business and Professional Studies

Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts: Behavioral Health

The Behavioral Health Studies program is designed to meet today's growing workforce demands to prepare culturally aware professionals working with vulnerable populations. The program combines courses in social sciences, primarily psychology and sociology, with seminars and field work in the behavioral health services field. In addition to obtaining the necessary professional skills such as case management, report writing, assessment, interventions, and the fundamentals of behavioral health, students gain a broad background in the liberal arts. Upon graduation, students are prepared to work in a variety of behavioral health agencies related to their educational credentials and work experience.

Successful graduates of the program will be able to:

- Acquire, understand, and apply the concepts of behavioral and overall social well-being to engage in meaningful work while contributing to society.
- Incorporate the skills, ethics and standards for multidisciplinary teams while understanding diverse and cultural aspects of society.
- Collect, interpret, describe, and use data from community resources to demonstrate critical thinking skills while assisting individuals with local services and understanding referrals.
- Demonstrate proficient verbal and written communication skills. Apply awareness of cultural differences and work effectively with diverse (diversity, equity and inclusion) community populations.