

## DEPARTMENT: HUMAN SERVICES

As a member of the **Department of Human Services** you will join a group of students who are part of the **School of Professional Studies** at New York City College of Technology, City University of New York.

**Mission:** To educate students to be change agents, working with individuals, groups, and communities.

**Students in the Human Services major** are provided with important resources such as access to computer labs and tutoring. They acquire the skills and aptitudes to showcase their professional skills in settings which often include hospitals, behavioral health centers, nursing homes, schools, shelters, community-based agencies, and within public health and social justice initiatives. Students utilize their skills to conduct intakes, assessments, treatment plans, referrals, lead groups, complete research and data collection, counseling, promote community needs, prepare grants, budgeting and advocacy, as well as understanding the navigation of the larger social service system. Students practice these skills in four semesters of internship and acquire knowledge of the operation of community-based agencies, as well as the types of care and services a human service worker can provide.

Students can join department clubs such as The Human Services Club & Crear Futuros and engage in other opportunities such as our Professional Internship Program.

### Options for Employment and Further Study

The comprehensive, generalist, human services curriculum at City Tech prepares students for an all-inclusive experience in field, from pursuing experiences as a counselor, outreach worker, residence manager, social worker, probation officer, disability specialist, addictions counselor, patient advocate, recreation worker, health educator, advocate, to graduate student, the human service degree 'opens doors' that have a common mission, and educational requirement. Since the field is broad, students have several options to hone their acquired human service skills, and an associate degree-leading to the bachelors-is one of the best preparations.

**Faculty** in the Department Business have interests in various research areas. A recent publication includes *Narrating Practice with Children and Adolescents* (Kindle Edition) by Mery Diaz (Editor), Benjamin Shepard (Editor) (2019).



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## Fun Facts

- ✓ Our faculty members have a myriad of professional experience in the field of Human Services.
- ✓ The members of our department represent the rich diversity of our campus and City.
- ✓ Our degree programs are accredited by the Council for Standards in Human Services Education.