

**NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title: Introduction to Human Services**

**Course #: HSE\* 101**

**Course Description:** The nature and implications of human services. Consideration of mental health; welfare; probation and school services; and public and private social services. 3 semester hours

**Pre-requisite/Co-requisite:** None

- Goals:**
- a. To introduce students to the profession of human services and the wide scope of human service organizations.
  - b. To describe the major functions, skills, roles, and professional ethics of human service workers.
  - c. To introduce students to the major theoretical systems and knowledge base of the profession of human services.
  - c. To compare, contrast and analyze the major practice settings of human services and the functions and roles of the human service worker within those settings.
  - d. To introduce students to the acquisition and application of basic research methodology to the study of social problems and to the application of human service knowledge to their amelioration.

**Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- a. Identify and describe the major functions, roles, and responsibilities of human service professionals.
- b. Summarize the major milestones and highlights of the historical evolution of the human service profession.
- c. Articulate an awareness of social and economic injustice and identify special populations at risk for poverty and social services.
- d. Demonstrate a knowledge of the major theoretical models and basic intervention skills of human services.

- e. Develop sensitivity and an awareness of cultural diversity and recognition of the various “isms” of our culture: racism, sexism, ageism, ableism.
- f. Develop a theoretical framework for evaluating ethical issues and the role of values in human service practice.

### **College Policies**

**Plagiarism:** Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty are not tolerated at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Violators of this policy will be subject to sanctions ranging from failure of the assignment (receiving a zero), failing the course, being removed/expelled from the program and/or the College. Please refer to your “Student Handbook” under “Policy on Student Rights,” the Section entitled “Student Discipline,” or the College catalog for additional information.

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):** The College will make reasonable accommodations for persons with documented learning, physical, or psychiatric disabilities. Students should notify Dr. Christine Woodcock, the Counselor for Students with Disabilities. She is located at Green Woods Hall, in the Center for Student Development. Her phone number is 860-738-6318 and her email is [cwoodcock@nwcc.edu](mailto:cwoodcock@nwcc.edu).

**School Cancellations:** If snowy or icy driving conditions cause the postponement or cancellation of classes, announcements will be made on local radio and television stations and posted on the College’s website at [www.nwcc.edu](http://www.nwcc.edu). Students may also call the College directly at **(860) 738-6464** to hear a recorded message concerning any inclement weather closings. Students are urged to exercise their own judgment if road conditions in their localities are hazardous.

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**Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team:** NCCC is committed to creating a community that is safe and supportive of people of all gender and sexual identities. This pertains to the entire campus community, whether on ground or virtual, students, faculty, or staff.

Sexual assault and intimate partner violence is an affront to our national conscience, and one we cannot ignore. It is our hope that no one within our campus community will become a victim of these crimes. However, if it occurs, NCCC has created the SART Team - Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team - to meet the victim’s needs.

SART is a campus and community based team that is fully trained to provide trauma-informed compassionate service and referrals for comprehensive care. The team works in partnership with The Susan B. Anthony Project to extend services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

The NCCC team members are:

Ruth Gonzalez, Ph.D.	860-738-6315	Green Woods Hall Room 207
Susan Berg	860-738-6342	Green Woods Hall Room 223
Kathleen Chapman	860-738-6344	Green Woods Hall Room 110
Michael Emanuel	860-738-6389	Founders Hall Annex Room 308
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Robin Orlomoski	860-738-6416	Business Office Room 201
Patricia Bouffard, Ex-Officio	860-738-6319	Founders Hall Room 103
Savannah Schmitt		Student Representative

At NCCC we care about our students, staff and faculty and their well-being. It is our intention to facilitate the resources needed to help achieve both physical and emotional health.