

10-520-3 Human Services Associate
30-550-1 Substance Abuse Education
2026-27 Required Courses
Northwood Technical College
Ashland, Rice Lake, Superior
Fall Start - Hybrid Instruction



Name/ID _____

Date _____

Catalog Number	Course Title	*Hours per Week	Credits	Substance Abuse Education Technical Diploma (Financial Aid Eligible)	Human Services Associate Associate Degree (Financial Aid Eligible)	Date Completed	Transfer or Grade
	First Term - Fall 2026						
	1st 8 Weeks						
10520101	Introduction to Human Services	6 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
10520103	Ethics in Human Services#	>	3 credits	Substance Abuse Education	Human Services Associate		
10520104	Issues in Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse	>	3 credits	Substance Abuse Education	Human Services Associate		
	2nd 8 Weeks						
10520102	Interviewing	>	3 credits	Substance Abuse Education	Human Services Associate		
10520110	Group Facilitation Corequisiite: 10520102 Interviewing	>	3 credits	Substance Abuse Education	Human Services Associate		
	First Term Total			12 Credits Substance Abuse Education	15 Credits Human Services Associate		



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	Second Term - Spring 2027						
	1st 8 Weeks						
10520105	Introduction to Counseling Corequisite: 10520106 Methods of Social Casework	>	3 credits	Substance Abuse Education	Human Services Associate		
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	2nd 8 Weeks						
10520115	Substance Abuse Assessment and Treatment Corequisites: 10520104 Issues in Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, 10520110 Group Facilitation and 10520106 Methods of Social Casework	>	3 credits	Substance Abuse Education	Human Services Associate		
10520112	Family Systems	>	3 credits	Substance Abuse Education	Human Services Associate		
	16 Weeks						
10809198	Introduction to Psychology	3 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
	Second Term Total			12 Credits Substance Abuse Education	15 Credits Human Services Associate		



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Third Term - Fall 2027							
	16 Weeks						
10520113	Field Experience 1# Prerequisites: 10520102 Interviewing, 10520103 Ethics in Human Services, 10520104 Issues in Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, 10520106 Methods of Social Casework and COREQUISITES: 10520101 Introduction to Human Services, 10520105 Introduction to Counseling and 10520115 Substance Abuse Assessment and Treatment.	9 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
10XXXXXX	Elective Course (Talk with your advisor to determine the best elective course for your situation)	3 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
	General Education (see options on next page)		6-10 credits		Human Services Associate		
	1st 8 Weeks or 2nd 8 Weeks						
10520116	Psychopharmacology in Human Services (can take fall or spring)	6 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
	Third Term Total				15-19 Credits Human Services Associate		
Fourth Term - Spring 2028							
	1st 8 Weeks or 2nd 8 Weeks						
10520108 or 10520107	Child and Adolescent Behavior (1st 8 weeks) or Gerontology (2nd 8 weeks)	6 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
	16 Weeks						
10520114	Field Experience 2# Prerequisite: 10520113 Field Experience 1	9 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
	General Education (see options on next page)		6-10 credits		Human Services Associate		
	Fourth Term Total				12-16 Credits Human Services Associate		

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	General Education Courses						
10801136	English Composition 1	3 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
10801196 or 10801198	Oral/Interpersonal Communication or Speech	3 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
10806198	Human Biology	5 hours per week	4 credits		Human Services Associate		
10809159	Abnormal Psychology Prerequisite: 10809198 Introduction to Psychology	3 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
10809172 or 10809196	Introduction to Diversity Studies or Introduction to Sociology	3 hours per week	3 credits		Human Services Associate		
	Total Credits			24 Credits Substance Abuse Education	61 Credits Human Services Associate		



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* Hours per week represents periods of instruction and/or work-based learning hours per week (class hours). Additional time may be required outside of class to complete assignments. For more details on what you can expect outside of class, please see the “Expectations Outside of the Classroom” section of the Student Handbook

> Due to the course to clock hour conversion, this course meets the 45-clock hour requirement over the term (Scheduled 48 sessions at 50 minutes for 16 weeks; adjusted for 8 weeks)

Credit for prior learning not applicable for these courses

Please be advised that low-enrollment class sections may be canceled. You will be contacted by Student Services with information on other class sections available in alternate formats.

Northwood Tech General Education Course Options for Northwood Tech Associate Degree Programs

Co-enrollment in 99831900 Writing Essentials may be recommended in addition to English Composition 1.

Specific General Education courses are scheduled as requirements for this program. If you have completed General Education coursework at another Wisconsin technical college, please refer to the Acceptable Transfer Course document at the following link (find your program) to see if your previous coursework will transfer

[Acceptable Transfer Courses](#)

If you have completed General Education coursework at Northwood Tech in a prior term, the same options will apply for your program requirements. Pending Dean approval, technical diploma coursework (i.e. catalog number beginning with 30, 31, or 32) may also be allowed to meet General Education requirements. NOTE: Technical diploma level coursework may not transfer to a baccalaureate program.^

Elective Courses: To meet the elective course requirements for this program, you will be required to take associate degree level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10 (with the exception of General College courses 10831103, 10834109, 10835103, and 10838104). Pending program dean approval, technical diploma level coursework, i.e. catalog number beginning with 30, 31, or 32, may also be allowed to meet elective credit requirements for this program. NOTE: Technical diploma level coursework may not transfer to a baccalaureate program.^

Graduation Requirements: *Although your academic advisor can provide guidance, you are ultimately responsible for selecting courses that meet a program's graduation requirements. If you do not take courses in the recommended sequence above, it may delay your completion of graduation requirements. A program plan GPA of 2.0 in a 4.0 grade system is required to graduate. You must earn a grade point of 2.0 or better in all 105XXXXX courses.*

Earn credit for what you already know:

[Visit Credit for Prior Learning for more information](#)

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^If considering transferring into a baccalaureate program, please work with the Transfer Coordinator at the college you are interested in transferring to verify status, including if technical diploma level coursework will transfer and if it will transfer, how the credits will be brought in to your future degree.