HUMAN SERVICES TECHNICIAN
Diploma

I. MINNESOTA TRANSFER CURRICULUM (MNTC)/
   GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS………………………………………………8 CREDITS
   GOAL 1: WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATION ………………………………………….4 CR
   ENGL 1117, Reading and Writing Critically I, 4 cr

   GOAL 5: HISTORY AND THE SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES …………………4 CR
   PSYC 2618, General Psychology, 4 cr

II. PROGRAM CORE REQUIREMENTS……………………………………………………28 CREDITS
   NA 1500, Nursing Assistant Theory and Clinical, 4 cr
   HS 1511, Medication Administration for Unlicensed Personnel, 2 cr
   HS 1522, Introduction to Human Services, 5 cr
   HS 1530, Health Issues, 2 cr
   HS 1532, Therapeutic Techniques, 2 cr
   HS 1550, Mental Health Disorders for HST Workers, 2 cr
   HS 1560, Chemical Dependency Theory, 2 cr
   HS 1570, Developmental Disabilities Theory, 2 cr
   HS 1555, Mental Health Field Experience, 3 cr
   HS 1565, Chemical Dependency Field Experience, 3 cr
   HS 1575, Developmental Disabilities Field Experience, 3 cr

TOTAL .................................................................................................................... 36 CREDITS

ADDITIONAL NOTES:
PURPOSE: The Human Services major is designed to prepare students for a variety of careers in human service areas. As team members, graduates will provide health care, treatment, rehabilitation, and behavioral direction for individuals or groups of clients. The three major employment areas include those relating to mental health, developmental disabilities, and chemical dependency. Opportunities for employment include, but are not limited to, state, private, and community human service agencies, nursing homes, and public schools. Instruction includes courses related to providing personal care, communication skills, behavioral and rehabilitation techniques. Emphasis is placed on the three specialty areas.

Human services professionals complement the curriculum as guest speakers and by providing guidance during field experiences. Career ladder opportunities are built into the curriculum plan.

Students have the option upon satisfactorily completing 11 credits of selected courses to stop out as a Mental Health Assistant, Chemical Health Assistant, or a Developmental Disabilities Assistant. Graduates wishing to continue their education in the human services
field may receive college credit with the approval of the receiving institution. Rochester Community and Technical College offers an associate of science degree in human services.

**Notice of Minnesota Background Check Requirement**
Minnesota Statute 245C requires that students who have contact with individuals in licensed institutions complete an annual background study with the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Individuals who do not pass the background check will not be allowed to participate in clinical activities. A list of disqualifying offenses is available at https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=245C.15. Information about completing the background study will be available from program faculty.

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