

# SOCIAL WORK AND HUMAN SERVICES ASSISTANT CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

**State Control Number:** 45916

**Program Code:** HMSV.SWWSA.CA

**Program Length:** 24 months

**Approved for Federal Financial Aid:** Pending (<https://catalog.vvc.edu/student-resources/financing-education/#Pending-FedAid>)

This Certificate of Achievement in Social Work and Human Services prepares students for entry-level employment in the human services field by merging applied behavioral science with essential, practical skills. Focused on understanding and critically analyzing behavior, social forces, and conditions in diverse environments, the curriculum trains students to address social problems and inequality. Students gain hands-on experience and develop core competencies, including applying the biopsychosocial model to real-life situations, critiquing social welfare policy, and using statistical analysis to examine social welfare issues. This certificate offers a rapid pathway to a new career in the helping professions, proving especially valuable to individuals who hold prior bachelor's degrees but seek specific, job-ready training and career change within social work and human services.

Code	Title	Units
<b>Required Courses</b>		
Complete all of the following with a C or better		
HMSV 110	Introduction to Social Work and Human Services	3.0
HMSV 120A	Social Work and Human Services Seminar	1.0
HMSV 120B	Social Work and Human Services Fieldwork	1.0
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3.0
PSYC C1000	Introduction to Psychology	3.0
Complete three courses from the following:		9.0-10.0
CJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	
CMST 105	Intercultural Communication	
HIST 118	History of U.S From 1876	
PSYC 110	Developmental Psychology	
PSYC 213	Abnormal Psychology	
SOC 102	Social Problems	
SOC 107	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	
ECON 101	Principles of Economics: Macro	
	or ECON 102 Principles of Economics: Micro	
PSYC 215	Introduction to Statistics in Social and Behavioral Sciences	
	or STAT C1000 Introduction to Statistics	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>20-21</b>