

Psycho-Social Developmental Studies

Type

Academic Subject Certificate

The Academic Subject Certificate in Psycho-Social Developmental Studies provides pre-professional training for students planning careers in human services (social work, counseling, education, corrections, psychology, and human development). The curriculum combines existing liberal arts courses and cooperative education at designated field sites in partnership with a social service agency or hospital. This certificate is unique because of the linkage and collaboration with liberal arts courses (interdisciplinary).

Upon successful completion of this certificate, students will be able to:

- Communicate effectively via writing, speaking, and non-verbal cues
- Manage a group by supervising, negotiating, evaluating others, fostering teamwork and open communication
- Operate a computer to manage records, communicate, and gather information
- Interact effectively and ethically one-on-one or in a group, show good listening skills, empathy, and problem-solving

To earn the PSDS Academic Subject Certificate, students must complete a total of 27 credits with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better for all required courses.

Twelve credits, including SSCI 193V and SSCI 293V, must be taken at Windward Community College. See course descriptions for prerequisites.

Required Courses (24 credits)

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 100	Survey of Psychology	3
	PSY 170 or SOC 218 or SOC 231	3
PSY 224	Abnormal Psychology	3
	PSY 240 or PSY 241 or HDFS 230	3
SOC 100	Survey of General Sociology	3
SOC 251	Introduction to Sociology of the Family	3
	SSCI 193V or CHW 101 or SW 200	3
	SSCI 293V or PSY 260 or PSY 270	3

Electives (3 credits)

Any social Science (DS) designated course or IS 103 Introduction to College (3)

Total Credits

27