

## PROFESSIONAL-TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

# HUMAN SERVICES AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY

**Explore your opportunities in an exciting career pathway!**

Social and human service assistant is a general term for people with a wide array of job titles, including human service worker, case management aide, social work assistant, community support worker, mental health aide, community outreach worker, life skill counselor, or gerontology aide. They usually work under the direction of workers from a variety of fields, such as nursing, psychiatry, psychology, rehabilitative therapy, physical therapy, or social work.

Social and human service assistants perform a plethora of duties, serving both the employers and the clients. They act as a prime support system for social workers and clients alike. Serving under a manager or social worker, social and human service assistants are responsible for recording and tracking client progress and reporting their findings. They arrange for transportation and escorts, if necessary, and provide emotional support for their clients. As an important member of the social and human services team, they are able to impact many lives positively.

**Get Started Today!**

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**Contact Admissions to enroll!**

[www.olympic.edu/current-students/getting-started/Admissions](http://www.olympic.edu/current-students/getting-started/Admissions)

### Funding Options

Available through Workforce Development  
and Basic Studies

**(360) 475-7555**

**wfd@olympic.edu**

Contact us to find out if you are eligible!

**Interested in Human Services or  
Chemical Dependency?**



**Check out their webpage!**

  
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*New Classes Start  
Every Quarter!*

*Turn Compassion  
For Others Into Your  
Career Choice!*

  
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### Career Options

- Case Aide
- Case Worker
- Chemical Dependency Professional
- Family Resource Coordinator
- Head Start Family Advocate
- Human Services Worker
- Social Work Aide
- Volunteer Coordinator

Check out the Human Services/ Chemical Dependency Career Pathway



### Wages

For median wages, labor market and wage data provided by the Washington State Employment Security Department go to:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/esd/employmentdata/>

### How to Pay for College

You may be eligible for financial assistance!

Workforce Development Eligibility Survey  
[www.startnextquarter.org/](http://www.startnextquarter.org/)

Financial Aid

[www.olympic.edu/paying-college/financial-aid](http://www.olympic.edu/paying-college/financial-aid)

The Washboard Scholarship Opportunities  
<https://fortress.wa.gov/hecb/thewashboard/>

### Chemical Dependency Counseling Associate in Technical Arts (90 cr)

This degree is designed for students who wish to fulfill the education requirements for certification as Chemical Dependency Professionals through the Department of Health in Washington State (WAC 246-811-030).

### Chemical Dependency Professional Certificate of Proficiency (51-55 cr)

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### Human Services-Case Aid Certificate of Recognition (19 cr)

The program prepares students to enter the field as entry-level case aides or assistants in agencies working with a diverse range of clients

### Chemical Dependency Certification with Alternative Training (Fast Track) Certificate of Completion (20 cr)

This program is designed for students who wish to become a certified Chemical Dependency Professional in Washington State. Only professionals listed in WAC 246-811-076 are eligible for certification through alternative training. Eligible practitioners include and are limited to the following: Advanced registered nurse practitioner, marriage and family therapist, mental health counselor, advanced social worker or independent clinical social worker, psychologist, osteopathic physician, osteopathic physician assistant, physician, or physician assistant. Practitioners must already hold an active license to be eligible for this training.

“I was encouraged to step outside my comfort zone and extend my education to become a better practitioner.”

- Kim Stevens BSW, CDP



“With the education and support I received at O.C., so many doors have opened up for me. I am forever grateful to Dr. Cohen and The Human Services Program at Olympic College.”

- John Houston, Executive Director  
The Renton Youth Advocacy Center

