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Master of Arts in Human Services

Estimated Program Cost: \$17,640

2013–14 Tuition: \$490 per credit

Books: \$1,000 (estimated total for MAHS program)

MAHS Coursework (36 credits)

Core Courses (21 credits)

HMS5110	Worldview, Leadership, and Human Services	3
HMS5112	Human Services Foundations and Systems	3
HMS5114	Theories of Human Development	3
HMS5210	Research Methods and Human Services	3
HMS5220	Ethics and Legal Issues in Human Services.....	3
HMS5230	Multicultural/Diversity Issues In Human Services.....	3
HMS5240	Interviewing and Assessment Skills	3

Family Studies Concentration Courses (15 credits)

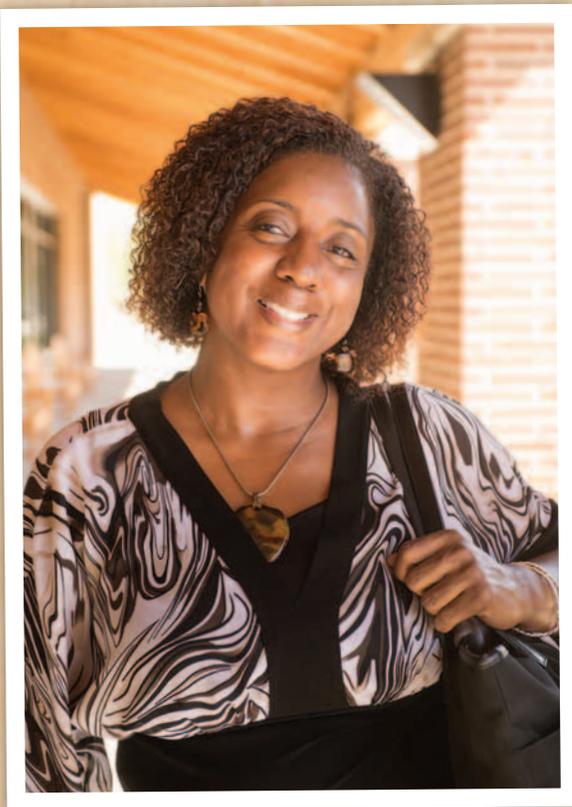
HMS5310	Family Studies and Education	3
HMS5312	Family Communication and Relationships	3
HMS5314	Parent Education.....	3
HMS5316	Marriage and Family Dynamics.....	3
HMS5318	Intervention Strategies with Families.....	3

See the Graduate & Continuing Education Catalog at unwsp.edu/catalog for course descriptions. Courses subject to change.

Program Delivery Class format for the MAHS:

Blended format: Attend class weekly on campus and complete remaining class work online.

Time Frame MAHS coursework can be completed in approximately 18–22 months.



The Master of Arts in Human Services (MAHS) develops knowledge and skills within a biblical worldview so that graduates are equipped to assess needs and provide support services to people in a variety of situations.

You will be prepared to examine individual and systemic needs and solutions applicable to a variety of roles or further study in human or social sciences programs.

Master of Arts in Human Services

Through the human services master's degree program you will develop an understanding of how to assist people who are experiencing complex situations; how faith and human services intersect; how research can facilitate understanding people and their needs; and how to design and evaluate human services programs.

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Wide Range of Possibilities

Andrea was at a crossroads—kids grown, time to explore what she really wanted to do in life—when a spiritual mentor helped her see her gift for working with struggling families. “I knew that I needed to go back to school to really open doors and be able to effectively work with families,” Andrea said. At that time she was just beginning her college career and earned her bachelor's degree in psychology through Northwestern's adult undergraduate program.

“I knew I needed to go on,” she said, and searched for right program. Northwestern's MAHS program proved to be the fit she was looking for. “I've worked with families for many years,” Andrea said, “and now learning the theory behind some of the practices helps me know how to work in depth with families in human services.”

“One thing I like about the degree is that you're not pigeon-holed into just one area,” Andrea observed. She's enthusiastic about what's ahead. “Human services is so broad, you have a wide range of opportunities.”



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Is the MAHS for You?

The MAHS is great for those who work or want to pursue work in private or public social services settings, providing assistance to people in need.

It is appropriate for people who rely on insight into human needs for their work, such as pastors, human resource directors, teachers, coaches, nurses, public health workers, law enforcement officers, managers, or student affairs personnel.

The MAHS at Northwestern is a non-licensure degree. It would not be recommended for students pursuing career roles that require licensure in human or social services.

A Different Kind of Education

“When I tell people about Northwestern, I talk about the spiritual aspect of it because when you're out in the world doing the work you have to do, you're really kind of in the trenches,” said one MAHS student. “Coming to class, we pray and do devotionals. It's so unlike any place else I've ever experienced. It really prepares you for getting ready to learn; you put aside all the chaos of the day—that's powerful for me.”

University of Northwestern – St. Paul Since 1902, Northwestern has been equipping Christ-centered learners and leaders to invest in others and impact the world. Northwestern offers five graduate degrees and two graduate certificates, 70+ areas of undergraduate study through programs for both traditional and adult students, and online and early college programs.

Mission University of Northwestern – St. Paul exists to provide Christ-centered higher education equipping students to grow intellectually and spiritually, to serve effectively in their professions, and to give God-honoring leadership in the home, church, community, and world.

Meet Your Professors

Amy Lash Esau

Amy Lash Esau, Ph.D., holds advanced degrees in family social science, human development and family ecology. She is passionate about the field of family relationships and has played a pivotal role in creating the MAHS curriculum to be relevant to people’s needs in today’s society. In addition to her impressive academic credentials, Lash Esau is also a certified Zumba instructor.



Don Johnson

Don Johnson, Ph.D., teaches in Northwestern’s adult undergraduate, graduate and traditional undergraduate programs. His extensive background in psychology and his personal interests make him a dynamic and engaging instructor. Johnson is also a certified R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) instructor and a black belt in both karate and kung fu.



Learn more about our faculty at unwsp.edu/gradfaculty.



Outcomes

Through the MAHS program, you will complete coursework and gain knowledge and understanding of:

- Human services
- Human development
- Worldview and ethics
- Legal issues
- Diversity issues
- Interviewing skills
- Research methodology/program evaluation
- Program development



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