

**HSRV 101**  
**Introduction to Social Welfare**

By the end of the course, students should:

1. Develop an understanding of key historical events which led to the development of the modern social welfare system in order to make thoughtful decisions as citizens, consumers, and workers.
2. Develop familiarity with major social welfare programs, benefits and services in order to succeed in other Human Service courses and make thoughtful decisions as citizens, consumers and workers.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the political context of the Social Welfare System including how the Social Welfare System and the Political System influence one another in order to act thoughtfully as citizens, consumers and human service workers.
4. Identify local community social service resources in order to become familiar with them and to begin to build the knowledge and skill required to assist future clients in accessing resources.
5. Demonstrate familiarity with key concepts and vocabulary used in Human Services and related professions in order to function effectively in courses and at work.
6. Build skills needed to work in groups at school and in work settings by working in small groups within the classroom on goal setting, decision-making, task delegation, and communication skills.
7. Identify, explore, and confirm or decide against a possible career route in Human Services in order to determine level and kind of degree required/desired, make good choices regarding their field placement settings and human service degree options or elective courses.
8. Strengthen Core Competencies in reading, writing, oral communication, and critical thinking in order to increase success in this and other courses and in the workplace.