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Proposal: Change name of Human Services and Community Leadership to Human Services

The department of HSCL proposes that effective Spring 2022:

Request:

- a. Change the name of the Department of Human Services and Community Leadership to Department of Human Services
- b. Change the name of the BS in Human Services Program Administration to BS in Human Services
- c. Change the name of the minor in Human Services Program Administration to the minor in Human Services
- d. Change the name of the MS in Human Services Program Administration to MS in Human Services

The departmental title, *Human Services and Community Leadership*, can be confusing for prospective students and limits their perspective on our programs. For instance, a prospective student interested in addiction education is not likely to connect the terms community or leadership with their goals. *Human Services* is an umbrella term that better represents the fact that our major and profession are broad.

The current name is also unwieldy. The name *Human Services* catches the eye more quickly and is easier to put on promotional materials. Upon a review of US programs similar to ours we did not find another program with a similar name, but found multiple programs called *Human Services*.

We hold the same rationale for removing *Program Administration* from the title of our graduate degree, major, and minor so that they are called *Human Services*. Graduates from our programs are employed in development, advocacy, education, and other fields. *Human Services* better represents the content of the major/minor and the array of opportunities upon graduation. The broad nature of the title better represents the student's course of study on their transcripts.

Approvals:

Date approved by the HSCL Department Curriculum Committee: 8-17-21

Date approved by the CHHS College Curriculum Committee: 11-11-21

Date approved by the Council on Academic Affairs:

Date approved by the Council on Graduate Studies: