# HUMAN and SOCIAL SCIENCES

| | Level One | Level Two | Level Three | Level Four |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| High School | Introduction to Human Studies | Lifespan Development | Family Studies | |
| | OR | | | |
| Dual Enrollment | [1]Satisfies English requirement | DE English Comp I[1] OR DE Speech Fundamentals or Spoken Communication | DE English Comp II[1] OR DE Psychology | |

## College Opportunities

- **Austin Peay State University** – Sociology, Social Work
- **Middle Tennessee State University** – Psychology, Sociology
- **Tennessee State University** – Human Sciences, Health Sciences, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology
- **Tennessee Technological University** – Psychology, Sociology
- **University of Tennessee** – Psychology, Sociology
- **Volunteer State Community College** – Psychology, Sociology

## Career Outlook

Government, nonprofits, and faith-based organizations employ more than four million workers in social assistance jobs. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of social and human service assistants is projected to grow nine percent from 2022 to 2032 nationally, much faster than the average for all occupations and 20 percent for the state of Tennessee. Nationally, about 47,400 openings for social and human service assistants are projected each year, on average, over the decade. In Tennessee, Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors have a bright outlook with a 35 percent projected employment growth from 2020-2030, growing by 520 job openings annually. Nationally, employment of substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors is projected to grow 18 percent from 2022 to 2032, much faster than the average for all occupations. About 42,000 openings for substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors are projected each year, on average, over the decade. Many of those openings are expected to result from replacing workers who transfer to different occupations or exiting the labor force, such as to retire.

Kayla Haley or Brooke Head Kayla.haley@rcstn.net or Brook.head@rcstn.net

Updated: 2025