

HSER 256: Dynamics of Family Violence and Sexual Assault

This course is designed to encourage the development of knowledge, skills, and the sensitivity necessary for engaging individuals and families affected by sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and non-familial violence. Course content focuses on the victimization of children, adults, the elderly, and other vulnerable populations. The course examines various influences that may encourage perpetrators and socio-cultural beliefs and behaviors that propagate sexual and physical violence, the historical responses, as well as a review of relevant state and federal laws. Victim, survivor, and perpetrator dynamics, current trends, intervention strategies, and community resources are identified. Learners have an opportunity to explore their own values and feelings in relation to a difficult subject matter.

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: Placement in ENG 100 or equivalent or Instructor approval

Program: [Human Services](#)

Recommended Prep: HSER 100, WS 151, Basic internet, computer knowledge and navigation ability