

Why Major in Hospice and Palliative Studies?

A Major or Minor in Hospice and Palliative Studies Complements...

- Social Work
- Psychology
- Criminal Justice
- Religious Studies
- Philosophy
- Nursing
- Gerontology
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- Mental Health

Because...

- The population needs advocates to promote awareness and acceptance of issues regarding dying, death and bereavement.
- It will help you, your family and friends understand more about this natural process.

A Minor in Hospice and Palliative Studies or Certificate of Achievement in Hospice and Palliative Studies are also available as plans of study. A Certificate of Completion is also available online.

What Can You Do With A Major In...



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Examples of Typical Hospice and Palliative Studies Positions and Degree Combinations:

- **Spiritual Care Coordinator with Hospice and Palliative Studies Major/Pastoral Care Minor:**
 - Spiritual care patient-family assessments
 - Ongoing spiritual support for patient and family
 - Spiritual care report in team meetings
 - Provides staff support
 - Participates in volunteer training sessions
 - Community liaison/educator
- **Bereavement Coordinator/Specialist with Hospice and Palliative Studies Major/Minor:**
 - Supervises hospice bereavement program
 - Coordinates bereavement assessments
 - Ensures contact with all families
 - Offers a variety of grief support services
 - Facilitates community grief support
 - Networks with professional community
 - Available to community crisis team
 - Monitors bereavement follow-up services
 - Participates in volunteer training sessions
 - Supervises trained bereavement volunteers
 - Community liaison/educator

- **BSN with Hospice and Palliative Studies Major/Minor:**
 - Hospice field nurse
 - Hospice residence nurse
 - Quality improvement coordinator
 - Coordinator quality improvement
 - Clinical Coordinator (may require MS Degree)
 - Conducts weekly team meetings
- **BSW Social Worker with Hospice and Palliative Studies Major/Minor:**
 - Psychosocial patient-family assessments
 - Ongoing support for patient and family
 - Social work report in team meetings
 - Provides staff support
 - Participates in volunteer training sessions
 - Community liaison/educator
 - Minimal national credential BSW
 - MSW recommended
- **Volunteer Coordinator with Hospice and Palliative Studies Major/Minor**
 - Recruits, trains, and nurtures volunteers
 - Coordinates all volunteer training sessions
 - Assigns volunteers for respite care
 - Coordinates volunteer report in team meetings
 - Coordinates annual volunteer fundraisers
 - Community liaison/educator