



NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

College of Health and Human Sciences

## Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation & Disability Services

### Transfer Guide for Illinois Community College Students<sup>1</sup>

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This transfer guide is designed as an advising tool to facilitate a smooth transition between institutions by identifying relevant course work recommended to be completed prior to transfer.

Community college students are encouraged to

- Complete an A.A. or A.S. degree prior to transfer
- Utilize the *NIU Articulation Handbook* for information regarding the transferability of courses. Select your school and intended major to check for “Limited Admissions Programs Transfer Course Equivalents” (if appropriate) provided by the NIU Transfer Center. Articulation Handbook: <http://www.niu.edu/admissions/transfer/credits.shtml>
- Consult with the College of Health and Human Sciences and/or review the websites for their intended majors for detailed information about special requirements, program admission requirements, and course requirements. [www.chhs.niu.edu](http://www.chhs.niu.edu)

The major in [Rehabilitation & Disability Services](#) provides a basic liberal arts education along with a foundation of basic, but highly specialized, information about the theory and practice of providing rehabilitation services to persons with disabilities. The emphasis also focuses on the importance of the family in the rehabilitation process.

Many graduates choose to pursue graduate studies in rehabilitation counseling, occupational therapy, or related areas. Other graduates have obtained employment in any of a number of areas (social services, business, education, etc.). Students who complete master’s degrees in rehabilitation counseling meet the educational requirements for the designation of Certified Rehabilitation Counselor.

NIU also offers an [Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation & Disability Services to Master of Science in Rehabilitation Counseling](#) program. For more information, please contact the CHHS advising office directly at 815-753-1891 or via [hhsadvisinghelp@niu.edu](mailto:hhsadvisinghelp@niu.edu).

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<sup>1</sup> Based on requirements in the 2020/21 *Undergraduate Catalog*



## Major in Rehabilitation & Disability Services

### Courses Recommended Prior to Transfer

HSCI 318	Medical Terminology (3)
PSYC 102	Introduction to Psychology (3)
PSYC 225	Lifespan Development: Childhood through Adulthood (3)
or HDFS 280	Human Development, the Family, and Society (3)
STAT 100	Basic Statistics (3)
or STAT 200,	Elementary Statistics (4)

### Courses to be Completed at NIU

REHB 200	Disability in Society (3)
REHB 327	Introduction to Rehabilitation Services (3)
REHB 482	Post-Employment Services in Vocational Rehabilitation (3)
REHB 492	Medical Aspects of Disability in Rehabilitation (3)
REHB 493	Counseling in Rehabilitation Services (3)
REHB 494	Profession Practice in Rehabilitation Services (3)
REHB 495	Assistive Technology in Rehabilitation (3)

Two of the following:

COUN 400	Exploration in the Counseling Profession (3)
COMD 220	Introduction to Communicative Disorders (3)
REHB 372	Occupational Therapy & the Rehabilitation Process (3)
REHB 497	Internship in Rehabilitation & Disability Services (3)

COUN 211	Career Planning (3)
HSCI 460	Introduction to Research in Health & Human Sciences (3)
PSYC 316	Introduction to Psychopathology (3)

Additional course work to be selected in consultation with advisor, at least 9 credits at the 300-400 level (24)

NIU also offers an accelerated Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation & Disability Services to Master of Science in Rehabilitation Counseling program. Please reach out to the CHHS Advising office directly for more information – contact information can be found below.

Specific information about admission requirements to Northern Illinois University and to programs in the College of Health and Human Sciences can be found in the current [NIU Undergraduate Catalog](#). Contact the Office of Admissions to obtain an application for admission. For additional information on programs in the college, contact [HHSAdvisingHelp@niu.edu](mailto:HHSAdvisingHelp@niu.edu)

- ❖ College of Health and Human Sciences (815) 753-1891
- ❖ Department of Military Science (815) 753-6239
- ❖ School of Allied Health and Communicative Disorders
  - Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology, and Rehabilitation Counseling (815) 753-1484
- ❖ School of Family and Consumer Sciences (815) 753-1543
- ❖ School of Health Studies



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Medical Laboratory Sciences (815) 753-1382

Nutrition, Dietetics & Wellness (815) 753-1384

Public Health: (815) 753-1384

- ❖ School of Interdisciplinary Health Professions
  - Health Sciences and Rehabilitation & Disability Services (815) 753-1891
- ❖ School of Nursing
  - Nursing: (815) 753-1231
- ❖ Gerontology Program (815) 753-1891
- ❖ Office of Admissions (815) 753-0446

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