

Top 10 reasons

to earn a Bachelor of Science in Human Services with Springfield College

1.

Flexible Schedule

Evenings, weekends, or online—choose a schedule that works for you.

2.

A Sound Curriculum

The best and brightest faculty experts and instructional designers mean an exciting, engaging, relevant program for you.

3.

Promising Future

Skilled human service workers are in high demand, translating directly into rewarding opportunities for you.

4.

Support for Adults and Other Students

Your academic success coach and the academic resource connection are key components of the support readily available to you.

5.

Credit for Prior Learning

Earn undergraduate credit for prior learning and training. Plus your perspective will benefit class discussions.

6.

An Affordable Degree

The combination of an accelerated format and reasonable tuition make this a surprisingly affordable program.

7.

Student Projects

Upgrade your résumé with hands-on community projects that positively impact people before you even graduate.

8.

National and Regional Recognition

Get connected with the local, regional, and national organizations with which we have articulation agreements.

9.

Faculty Who Know Human Services

The faculty bring real-life experience to your classroom based on field expertise, and agency and community work.

10.

Greater Good

Learn with students from all walks and stages of life who are equally focused on transforming their communities.



TRANSFORM YOUR CAREER AND YOUR COMMUNITY

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We are here for you.

For more detailed information, visit springfield.edu/adultlearning or contact the regional campus that you are interested in attending. Knowledgeable staff are available to help you navigate the application and financial aid process.

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Springfield College is a well-respected, regionally accredited, nonprofit institution of higher learning.

Springfield College offers the combination of regional accreditation by the New England Commission of Higher Education, consistent ranking in the top tier of "Best Regional Universities— North Region" by *U.S. News & World Report*, and a mission to educate the whole person in spirit, mind, and body for leadership in service to others.

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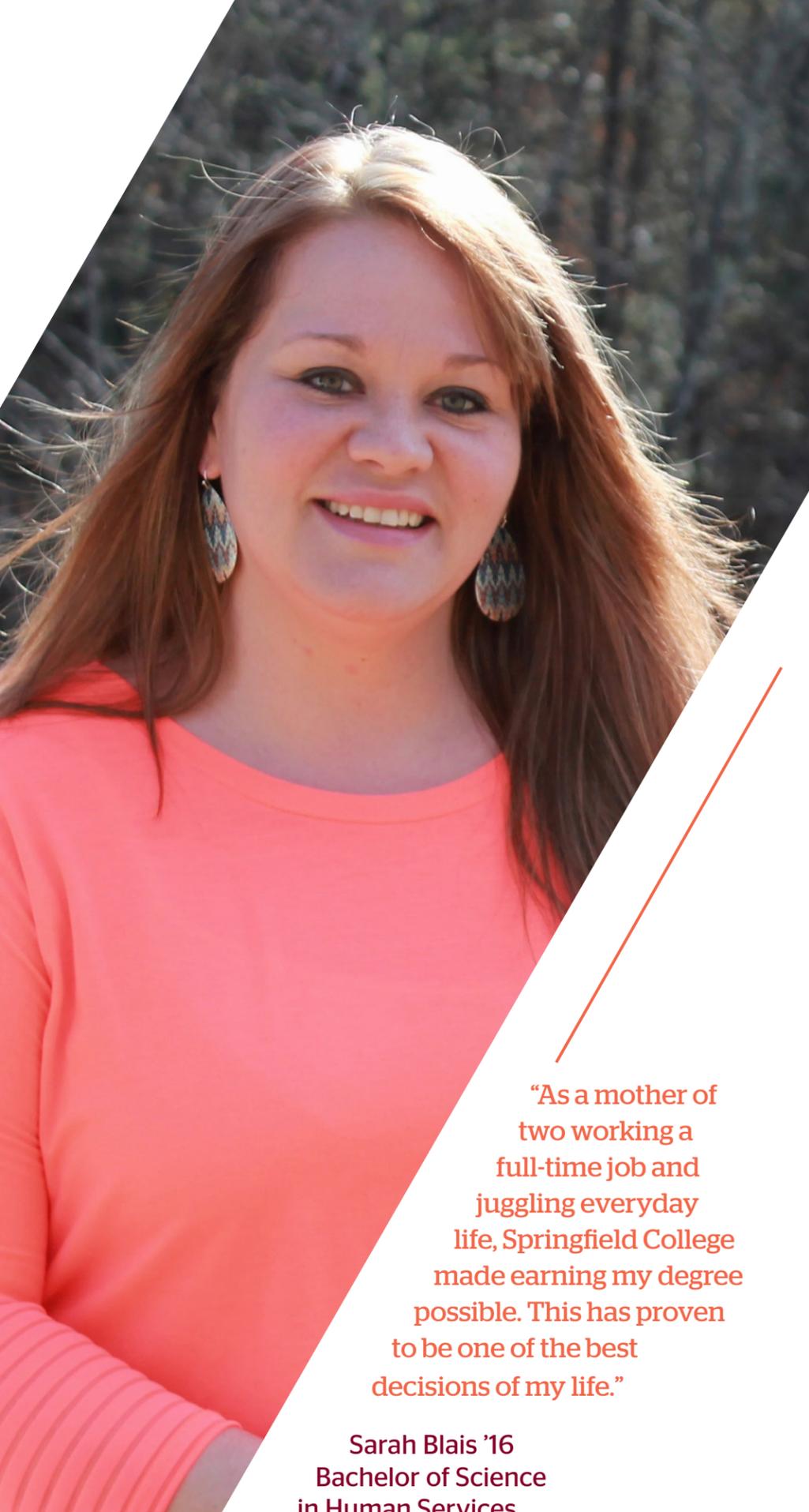
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“As a mother of two working a full-time job and juggling everyday life, Springfield College made earning my degree possible. This has proven to be one of the best decisions of my life.”

**Sarah Blais '16
Bachelor of Science
in Human Services**

The Springfield College regional and online programs educate individuals for leadership in service to others. Students study and advocate for strong communities and the wellness of its members. And in the process, they find that they, too, have been transformed.

We invite you to consider Springfield College— with its flexible curriculum, low student-teacher ratio, and personalized attention— because although you may have delayed your college education, your time has come.

Human service work is both challenging and fulfilling, and takes a special kind of person. Each and every member of our learning community is doing his or her part to make their communities and its members stronger in spirit, mind, and body. We pledge to support you along your journey.

Careers in Human Services

Human services is a broad field spanning professions in the nonprofit, public, and sometimes for-profit sectors in such areas as:

- Alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment
- Elder care and group homes
- Social and welfare reform and advocacy
- Youth work and early childhood development
- Law enforcement, corrections, and probation
- Nonprofit and public management
- Life skills and mental health counseling

The coming decade holds a promising outlook for human services employment for those with bachelor’s degrees. The U.S. Department of Labor is predicting that employment for social and human service workers will increase by 16 percent by 2026. Management positions are predicted to grow by 18 percent during that same time period. Career prospects are promising for those who want to make a career out of their desire and ability to help others.

Create Your Own Flexible Schedule

We offer you Bachelor of Science in Human Services course delivery options so that you can build a schedule that works around your busy life. Choose a fully online program or a hybrid program, which includes a mix of online courses and hybrid courses with both face-to-face and online hours. Whichever you choose, we are prepared to support you. Please note that all concentration courses are delivered online.

Hybrid Evening Courses

These classes take place Tuesday and Thursday evenings (typically twice per month) and feature additional online coursework.

Hybrid Weekend Courses

These classes take place Saturdays and Sundays (typically twice per month) and feature additional online coursework.

Fully Online Courses

All coursework is completed online in a social and interactive learning environment.

Curriculum

Required Courses (32 credits)	Sample Elective Courses (12 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education, Oppression, and Resistance • Global Economy, Culture, and Community • Social Transformation and Alternative Visions • A Critical Overview of Human Services • Issues in Research • Human Services Portfolio Development • Group Projects in Community and Change • Senior Seminar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dynamics of Case Management • Substance Use Disorder: Education and Prevention • Crisis Intervention • Coping with Disease and Death • Counseling from a Racial Perspective • Law and Legal Advocacy

To graduate, you will need 120 credits, 45 of which must be completed at Springfield College. Students may take the required and elective courses at Springfield College, or may transfer in courses from other regionally accredited higher education institutions. Or credits may be awarded through the prior learning process.

All courses are managed through Brightspace, the Springfield College learning management system—a system that allows you to participate in online or hybrid courses.

Optional Concentrations

Students may focus on a content area, or complete the Bachelor of Science in Human Services without a concentration. All concentration courses are fully online, and available to students enrolled at regional campuses or online.

- Community Youth Development and Leadership
- Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Education
- Substance Use Disorder Counseling

Recent human services projects conducted by students in our bachelor’s program:

- Breaking the Cycle, a look at domestic violence from the woman’s perspective
- I2C: Immigration to Citizenship, assisting immigrants gain American citizenship through access to resources
- All in For Springfield, addressing gambling addiction on campus in response to MGM’s casino grand opening in Springfield, Mass.
- Pre-school Obesity Education Initiative
- Understanding and Eradicating Youth Homelessness in Dorchester, Mass.