APPLIED ADULT DISABILITY STUDIES (AADS)

AADS 205 INTRODUCTION TO DISABLING CONDITIONS (3)
An overview of disabling conditions and the influence of these conditions on the lived experience of individuals with disabilities.

AADS 305 HISTORY OF DISABILITY (3)
Overview of disability history; explores changing views of disabling conditions and the implications of these for individuals with disabilities.

AADS 310 UNDERSTANDING DISABILITY THROUGH MASS MEDIA (3)
An overview of the ways that mass media frame disability for the general public through journalism, TV, film, advertising, photography, documentary, comic art and the Internet.

AADS 315 EMPLOYMENT AND DISABILITY (3)
An overview of theories of career development; barriers and supports to employment for people with physical disabilities, mental illness, autism, and conditions associated with an aging population; and current and past employment-related legislation. Students will participate in 15 service learning hours in the Baltimore Metropolitan community during which they will observe and interact with individuals with disabilities in the workplace. Core: Metropolitan Perspectives.

AADS 405 RESEARCH METHODS IN ADULT DISABILITY STUDIES (3)
Introduction to research as it applies to the field of adult disability studies. Exploration of quantitative and qualitative methodologies, research design, basic statistics and data analysis, and research ethics with focus on writing. Requires grade of C or better to fulfill Gen Ed or Core requirement. Prerequisites: ENGL 102, IDHP 205 and IDHP 305. GenEd I.D. or Core: Advanced Writing Seminar.

AADS 410 DISABILITY, ADVOCACY AND COMMUNICATION (3)
Introduces media and communication strategies for educating the general public about issues that affect the disability community and disability organizations. Prerequisites: IDHP 305.

AADS 417 DISABILITY: POLICY, PRACTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (3)
An examination of models of disability, current disability-focused policies; a range of disability related treatments, services, and supports; and the potential of any of these to oppress or empower individuals with disabling conditions. Prerequisites: IDHP 205 and IDHP 305.

AADS 420 INTERNSHIP IN DISABILITY STUDIES (9)
Supervised fieldwork experience in approved community agencies. Corequisite: AHLT 313. Prerequisites: all other coursework must be completed prior to internship.