Human Relations

Program Mission
The Department of Human Relations was founded in 1970 with a mission to train graduate students to be agents of social change. Over the past 4 decades, the department has grown to include a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Human Relations in Norman, and a Master's degree in Human Relations (MHR) on the University of Oklahoma campuses in Norman and Tulsa.

Interested in Human Relations?

About the Major
Solving today’s issues and learning how to forge paths toward effective solutions are increasingly valued skills in today’s job market. The Human Relations program in the College of Arts and Sciences provides students with marketable skills in the multidisciplinary field of student and professional practice, which promotes social justice, enhanced social relationships, human diversity, advocacy, inclusiveness and critical thinking. The curriculum for the program offers a balance of foundational theory and essential skills through participation in real world settings. Students may plan studies that focus on such areas as counseling, women’s studies, race relations, and organizational studies.

Human Relations Association
The organization is open to students of all majors. Membership in this organization provides voice for students in the major and provides a way to enhance their academic experience. The organization’s monthly meetings provide a chance to meet other students in the major and hear from some of the field’s most knowledgeable experts. You will also be provided with valuable information on education, internship, and career opportunities for students at all levels. You’ll meet lots of students like yourself as well as the Human Relations Faculty.

Human Relations Curriculum
The Department of Human Relations was established during a period of time in which social activism and social justice was a prominent, visible, and a developing ethic within the American culture. The program has grown in size and scope during the past four decades, while it has maintained an orientation toward social justice through a multidisciplinary perspective. Human Relations is professional field of study which incorporates teaching and learning techniques that promote democratic values, advocacy, and social justice. The program provides the skills and knowledge to work with diverse populations and to confront systemic discrimination and oppression in a variety of workplaces.

Special Points of Interest
- The University of Oklahoma is the only institution to award a Bachelors and Masters Degree in Human Relations.
- The professors of the department of Human Relations have research backgrounds in Sociology, Clinical Psychology, Social Work, and more.
- Opportunities to conduct professional research and complete internships.

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