The Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) is uniquely designed for practicing health or human sciences professionals who hold a current professional credential, certificate, or license in a health or human services field and have completed an applied associate degree program or an equivalent number of credits. The professional credential, certificate or license must be in the field in which the applicant is working or attempting to work.

The Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) includes both a required core of courses and electives in health and human sciences to provide a foundation for leadership and management within health and human service fields.

### AAS Diagnostic Medical Sonography:
**HARPER program requirements and applicability toward NIU general education and/or BGS in HHS requirements**

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<td>BIO 160 (4) and BIO 161 (4)</td>
<td>BIOS 357 – Anatomy &amp; Physiology</td>
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<td>ENG 101 (3)</td>
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<td>MATH Elective (3)</td>
<td>STAT 208 – Basic Statistics</td>
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<td>SPE 101 (3)</td>
<td>COMS 100 – Oral Communication</td>
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**Additional HARPER courses to meet NIU general education and/or BGS core requirements:** can be completed concurrently while taking NIU courses

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<td>PSY 228 (3)</td>
<td>FCNS 280 – Human Development</td>
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<td>HED 200 (3) or HED 206 (3)</td>
<td>PHHE 206 – Health Concepts or PHHE 295-Introduction to Public Health</td>
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<th><strong>Proficiency Credits</strong></th>
<th>AAS Diagnostic medical Sonography graduates with current license &amp; eligible to practice, maximum proficiency credit allowed</th>
<th>UHHS 300 – Experiences in HHS II</th>
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**BGS Core Courses to be taken through NIU**

NIU HHS-BGS courses are offered online or in a blended online format. Some are offered on a two year rotation.

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<td>UNIV 310 or TECH 432 (3)</td>
<td>Foundations in Homeland Security and Disaster Preparedness</td>
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**BGS Required Electives:**

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**Electives for 120 hours required for graduation:**

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**Admission to the Baccalaureate Completion Program**

- Admission to NIU as a regular degree seeking student – refer to Office of Admissions for application deadlines for regular university admission: [http://www.niu.edu/apply/index.shtml](http://www.niu.edu/apply/index.shtml)

- Completed AAS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, current license, and practicing (or eligible to practice) as a Diagnostic Medical Sonographer.

- Submit B.G.S. in HHS application, including written professional goals statement and copies of appropriate professional credentials, certificates, or license

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Academic Advising
All NIU students must meet university graduation and general education (GE) requirements. BGS students work with the BGS advisor to identify GE deficiencies and monitor progress toward completion of these and other university graduation requirements (i.e. 120 total credit hours with at least 30 hours from NIU.)

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