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Dear YIEP Human Services/Behavioral Science students,

Welcome to Bellevue University!

My name is Professor Esther Lustig. I am the program director for the undergraduate Human Services/ Behavioral Science degree program.

The YIEP program at Bellevue University is unique that you are one in a cohort with other students, who are only of the same cultural background and religious beliefs. It is an honor and privilege to help each of you accomplish your dream of achieving a bachelor's degree.

The YIEP Human Service/ Behavioral Science degree program is taught using a cohort model, which means that the students stay together through the entire program. They also complete the courses in a specific order rather than taking courses in a random order. Subsequently, you will complete your nine courses in a specific order in order to acquire the knowledge and skills you need to be successful with the assignments in each week and each course in the program. Plus, with a cohort model, we all get a chance to know one another as we'll be together for over a year.

You will gain access to your first course, Introduction to Human Services, beginning on Sunday, November 6, but the course will not begin until Monday, November 7, 2016. You will gain full access to the course beginning 11/6. At that time, you will receive an email from your professor noting where to find the information you need to begin the course and so that you can begin working on your first assignments.

The Calendar and book lists are on the YIEP website- <http://theyiep.com> or go to <http://theyiep.com/bs-in-behavioral-sciencehuman-services>

You may buy used books, rent the books or purchase an online version. Please order your books early as you will need them on the first day of each class. The first two books required are:

Becoming a Helper, Corey and Corey, Brooks /Cole Centage Learning. (6th or 7th edition)
Pocket Guide to APA Style, Perrin, Centage. (5th edition)

As soon as you get your BU email address, please check your BU email at least 1-2 times daily as that is where you will receive important information from your instructors and from the University. Please do not forward your BU email to other email addresses as sometimes the mail will get lost or blocked and you'll never know what you are missing. Please don't hesitate to ask questions. It's best to email or call your professor with any issues or concerns. Their contact information may be found on the blackboard under "MY PROFESSOR". If you have any further issues and/or concerns, please email me at elustig@bellevue.edu. You are never bothering us so ask questions!

Your education will provide you with the opportunity to practice many acts of kindness, help others and make a difference in the life of every person that you come across. Best wishes on your educational journey.

Thank you,
Esther Lustig LCSW-R