

ADDICTION COUNSELING (CERTIFICATE T0658)

Technology and Health Division

Certificate T0658

In this program the student integrates theory and practical experience in developing skills necessary to work with persons with addiction disorders, their families, and employers. The curriculum is designed to meet the credentialing requirements of the California Association of Alcohol/Drug Educators and the California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals. Students who complete this option qualify for employment in a variety of addiction treatment settings.

Required Courses

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
AD 1	Alcohol and Drug Dependency	3
AD 2	Physiological Effects of Alcohol and Drugs	3
AD 3	Addiction: Prevention, Intervention, and Recovery	3
AD 4	Issues in Domestic Violence	3
AD 6	Co-Occurring Disorders	3
AD 8	Group Process and Leadership	3
AD 9	Family Counseling	3
AD 10	Case Management and Documentation	3
AD 11	Techniques of Interviewing and Counseling	3
AD 15A	Introduction to Laws and Ethics for Addiction Counselors	1
AD 15B	Law and Ethics for Addiction Counselors	1
AD 82A	Work Experience in Addiction Counseling A	2
AD 82B	Work Experience in Addiction Counseling B	2

Required Electives

Choose two from the following: 6

CHLD 10	Child Growth and Lifespan Development
or CHLD 10H	Child Growth and Lifespan Development - Honors
NF 10	Nutrition for Health and Wellness
NF 25	Introduction to Nutrition Science
or NF 25H	Introduction to Nutrition Science - Honors
PSYC 1A	Introduction to Psychology
or PSYC 1AH	Introduction to Psychology - Honors
PSYC 1B	Biological Psychology
PSYC 14	Developmental Psychology
or PSYC 14H	Developmental Psychology - Honors
PSYC 15	Introduction to Child Psychology
PSYC 17	Introduction to Human Services
PSYC 19	Abnormal Psychology
PSYC 20	Introduction to Social Psychology
PSYC 25	The Psychology of Women
PSYC 26	Psychology of Sexuality
PSYC 33	Psychology for Effective Living
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology
or SOC 1H	Introduction to Sociology - Honors
SOC 2	Contemporary Social Problems
or SOC 2H	Contemporary Social Problems - Honors
SOC 4	Introduction to Gerontology
SOC 5	Introduction to Criminology
or SOC 5H	Introduction to Criminology - Honors
SOC 7	Religion, Culture, and Change

SOC 14	Marriage and the Family
or SOC 14H	Marriage and the Family - Honors
SOC 15	Child Development
SOC 20	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity
or SOC 20H	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity - Honors
SOC 36	Asian American Communities
SOC 40	Introduction to Sex and Gender Roles
or SOC 40H	Introduction to Sex and Gender Roles - Honors

Total Units 39

Addiction Counseling Website (<https://www.mtsac.edu/mental-health/addiction-counseling/>)

Selection Procedure

All classes are open to all students who meet admission requirements and course prerequisites.

Working Environment

May be exposed to infectious and contagious disease, without prior notification
 Regularly exposed to the risk of blood borne diseases
 Exposed to hazardous agents, body fluids and wastes
 Exposed to odorous chemicals and specimens
 Subject to hazards of flammable, explosive gases
 Subject to burns and cuts
 Contact with patients having different religious, culture, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, psychological and physical disabilities, and under a wide variety of circumstances
 Handle emergency or crisis situations
 Subject to many interruptions
 Requires decisions/actions related to end of life issues
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Special Instructions

Restricted Electives must be taken prior to enrollment in Field Experience and can be taken in conjunction with core and skills courses.

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English Language Skills

Although proficiency in English is not a criterion for admission, students are encouraged to be able to speak, write and read English to complete classes successfully and to ensure safety for themselves and others.

The Alcohol and Drug Counseling program is accredited by the California Association for Alcohol/Drug Educators and the California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals.

Contact:

California Association for Alcohol/Drug Educators
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California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals
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Long Beach, CA 90805
<https://ccapp.us/>

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Be technically competent to safely practice as an entry-level alcohol & drug counselor.
- Demonstrate an understanding of ethical & legal requirements for alcohol & drug counselors.
- Demonstrate the ability to develop and achieve entry-level professional goals.
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- Demonstrate competency in basic counseling skills commensurate with an entry level practitioner in the addictions counseling field.
- Demonstrate the ability to assess, intervene, and refer clients with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorder to appropriate resources.
- Students completing the certificate/associates degree program will demonstrate the ability to prepare and develop professional treatment plans and other clinical documentation.

Review Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) (<http://www.mtsac.edu/instruction/outcomes/sloinfo.html>) for this program.