

ALCOHOL & DRUG COUNSELING, AS

Technology and Health Division

Degree S2101

In this program the student integrates theory and practical experience in developing skills necessary to work with the alcohol and drug abuse population as well as families and employers of chemically-dependent persons. The curriculum is designed to meet the credentialing requirements of the California Association of Alcohol/Drug Educators. Students who complete this option qualify for employment in a variety of chemical-dependent settings.

This degree requires the completion of General Education coursework plus the following:

Required Courses

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
AD 2	Physiological Effects of Alcohol and Drugs	3
AD 3	Chemical Dependency: Intervention, Treatment and Recovery	3
AD 4	Issues in Domestic Violence	3
AD 5	Chemical Dependency: Prevention and Education	1.5
AD 6	Dual Diagnosis	3
AD 8	Group Process and Leadership	3
AD 9	Family Counseling	3
AD 10	Client Record and Documentation	1.5
AD 11	Techniques of Intervention and Referral	3
AD 15A	Introduction to Laws and Ethics for Addictions Counselors	1
AD 15B	Law and Ethics For Addictions Counselors	1
AD 1	Alcohol and Drug Dependency	3
Variable Unit Course. Complete 4 units in 1 or 2 semesters		4
AD 82	Work Experience in Alcohol and Drug Counseling	
Select two from the following:		6
CHLD 10	Child Growth and Lifespan Development or CHLD 10H Child Growth and Lifespan Development- Honors	
PSYC 1A	Introduction to Psychology or PSYC 1AH Introduction to Psychology - Honors	
PSYC 19	Abnormal Psychology	
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology or SOC 1H Introduction to Sociology - Honors	
SOC 14	Marriage and the Family or SOC 14H Marriage and the Family - Honors	
SOC 15	Child Development	
Total Units		39

Alcohol and Drug Counseling Website (<http://www.mtsac.edu/mental-health/alcohol-drug>)

Eligibility Requirements:

- File a College application and be accepted as a student at Mt. San Antonio College.

Selection Procedures

- All classes are open to all students who meet admission requirements and course prerequisites.
- a) Restricted Electives can be taken in conjunction with core and skills courses
- b) Refer to Schedule of Credit Classes for sequence of courses
- c) For questions, call the division office at (909) 594-5611, ext.4750

Working environment:

- May be exposed to infectious and contagious disease, without prior notification
- May be 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
- Exposed to products containing latex
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Special Instructions

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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.

Contact:

California Association for Alcohol/Drug Educators 5230 Clark Avenue,
Suite 3 Lakewood, CA 90712 (707) 722-2331 www.caade.org (<http://www.caade.org>)

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.