



Substance Abuse Counseling

Program Goals Statement

The goal of this program is bimodal: The program will provide students the opportunity to prepare for positions as Substance Abuse Counselors as well as meet the education and supervised clinical experiences that are required to qualify for licensure for Certified Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor that is offered through the Massachusetts Board of Substance Abuse Counseling Certification.

Program Information

- Prepare students to recognize and respond to the challenges of Substance Abuse Counseling in varied settings.
- Understand ethical implications working in the field of Substance Abuse Counseling.
- Gain skills necessary to work effectively with this population in a myriad of settings.
- Hands on experience in the field will allow students the opportunity to accrue the number of hours of experience needed before licensing.

After Bristol

- This program is designed to prepare students to work in the field of Substance Abuse Counseling.
- Students who complete the program and pass the CADC will be prepared for a myriad of positions including: Individual and familial counseling with persons living with addiction; group counseling; case management; inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation facilities; psycho-educational and prevention work in the community.
- This certificate program will prepare students who wish to further their education in psychology, human services and sociology.

Program Requirements:

Program: Substance Abuse Counseling

Type: Certificate

Campus

Campus:

Fall River

New Bedford

Taunton

Item #

Title

Credits



Program Requirements

Item #	Title	Credits
ENG 101	Composition I: College Writing	3
PSY 101	General Psychology	3
PSY 255	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSY 281	The Effects of Drugs on the Body and Mind	3
PSY 287	Introduction to Addiction Studies	3
SAC 255	Counseling in the Community and Case Management	3
SAC 260	Introduction to Substance Abuse Counseling	3
SAC 265	Family Therapy in Substance Abuse Treatment	3
SAC 290	Substance Abuse Counseling Practicum I	2
SAC 291	Substance Abuse Counseling Practicum II	3

Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 1

Item #	Title	Credits
ENG 101	Composition I: College Writing	3
PSY 101	General Psychology	3
PSY 281	The Effects of Drugs on the Body and Mind	3

Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 2

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 255	Abnormal Psychology	3
SAC 265	Family Therapy in Substance Abuse Treatment	3
PSY 287	Introduction to Addiction Studies	3
SAC 290	Substance Abuse Counseling Practicum I	2

Course Sequence - Semester 3

Item #	Title	Credits
SAC 255	Counseling in the Community and Case Management	3
SAC 260	Introduction to Substance Abuse Counseling	3
SAC 291	Substance Abuse Counseling Practicum II	3
Total credits:		29