



Wayne
County
Community
College
District

Addiction Studies

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Addiction Studies College Certificate program prepares graduates to work as entry level professionals in centers and facilities serving persons who are dependent upon addictive substances. Job functions include interviewing, conducting group sessions, and behavior management.

WHAT DO ADDICTION STUDIES PROFESSIONALS DO?

Substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors advise people who have alcoholism or other types of addiction, eating disorders, or other behavioral problems. They provide treatment and support to help the client recover from addiction or modify problem behaviors.

WHERE DO THEY WORK?

Substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors work in a wide variety of settings, such as mental health centers, community health centers, prisons, and private practice. Most work full-time.



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The median annual wage of substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors was \$43,300 in 2017.

JOB OUTLOOK

Employment of substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors is expected to grow by 23 percent from 2016 to 2026, much faster than the average for all occupations. Growth is expected as addiction and mental health counseling services are increasingly covered by insurance.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, October 2018, Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/community-and-social-service/substance-abuse-behavioral-disorder-and-mental-health-counselors.htm>



Recommended Sequence of Courses

Addiction Studies: College Certificate

CR. No.	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
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SEMESTER 1

ADD 100	Addiction Counseling: An Introduction to Addiction and Theories	3
ENG 119	English I	3
HUS 135	Professionalism in Human Services .	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
SEMESTER TOTAL		12

SEMESTER 2

ADD 103	Co-Occurring Disorders	3
ADD 112	Addictions and Criminal Justice .	3
SW 105	Field Instruction I	4
SEMESTER TOTAL		10

SEMESTER 3

ADD 130	Assessment, Diagnosis and Treatment of Addictions	3
HUS 200	Group and Social Process	4
SW 106	Field Instruction II	4
SEMESTER TOTAL		11
CERTIFICATE TOTAL		33

Note: Certificate totals may not include prerequisite work.

