

SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING (B.A.)

The Substance Abuse Counseling major is offered by the Psychology Department. This major prepares students to serve as counselors to individuals struggling with substance use disorders. Through coursework, practicum and field training, students learn to assist clients in overcoming their maladaptive use of substances such as drugs and alcohol. Students receive instruction that will prepare them to take professional certification exams and provide them with competitive job skills in a career that is projected to grow significantly in the future, while also receiving solid training in the liberal arts. [Substance Abuse Counseling Major is housed in the Psychology Department. It has been accredited as an Advanced Accredited Training Program (AATP) by the Illinois Certification Board (ICB) dba: Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Board, Inc. (IAODAPCA).]

Broad (Overall) Goals

1. To prepare for graduate studies those students who are interested in pursuing advanced study in substance abuse counseling, psychology, social work or related fields and possible licensure.
2. To serve the needs of those students who wish to enter careers related to substance abuse counseling upon graduation from the University of St. Francis.
3. To prepare students to take and pass the Illinois Certified Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor (CADC) Exam upon graduation.
4. To contribute to the fulfillment of the University of St. Francis' goals as a liberal arts institution of higher learning.

Major Program (58 credit hours)

Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		
PSYC 111	General Psychology	3
PSYC 211	Introduction to Chemical Dependency	3
PSYC 221	Group Dynamics	3
PSYC 240	Life-Span Development	3
or SWRK 242	Human Behavior in Social Environment II	
PSYC 250	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 260	Introduction to Forensic Psychology	3
or CSJU 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice System	
PSYC 370	Ethics in Addiction Counseling	3
PSYC 372	Psychopharmacology for Addiction Counselors	3
PSYC 375	Co-Occurring Disorders: Assessment & Treatment	3
PSYC 376	Introduction to Counseling and Psychotherapy	3
PSYC 420	Advanced Techniques in Substance Abuse Treatment	3
PSYC 424	Diverse Populations in Addiction Counseling	3
PSYC 492	Field Practicum and Supervision I	5
PSYC 493	Field Practicum and Supervision II	5
PSYC 498	Capstone Experience: Case Conceptualization	3
Electives		
Select three electives, one course in any of three areas you choose from the following:		9
Criminal & Social Justice Area:		

CSJU 225	Introduction to Corrections (3)
CSJU 230	Juvenile Justice Systems (3)
CSJU 240	Criminology (3)
Psychology Area:	
PSYC 270	Psychology of Women (3)
PSYC 280	Health Psychology (3)
PSYC 301	Introduction to Crisis Intervention (3)
PSYC 342	Child & Adolescent Development (3)
Recreation and Sport Management Area:	
RSTM 103	Wellness and Lifestyle Satisfaction (3)
Social Work Area:	
SWRK 116	Introduction to Social Work (3)
SWRK 321	Legal Issues & Helping Profess (3)
SWRK 650	Domestic Violence (3)
Total Hours	58

Students work with their advisors in selecting additional elective credits to fulfill the 120 credit hours required for graduation.