

AC- Addiction Counseling

AC 501 Chemical Dependency Counseling I: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to program. (Sp) This course will provide an overall introduction to addiction counseling. The class will also provide an introduction to the assessment and treatment of alcoholism and other chemical dependencies, with emphasis on the application of specific clinical strategies to this specialized problem area. Since substance abuse may underlie or coexist with a variety of other problems, including family violence, mental illness, health issues, etc., the mental health professional trained in the assessment and treatment of chemical dependency will be better able to assess and intervene appropriately

AC 502 Psychopharmacology and Addictions: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to program. (Sp) This course examines medications that are commonly prescribed for psychiatric disabilities; descriptions of medication effects, interaction, and side effects

AC 503 Assessment, Treatment, Planning, and Ethics of Addiction Counseling I: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to program. (F) This course is designed to examine the psychological, behavioral, sociological, and cultural underpinnings in the assessment and treatment of clients affected by addictions. The course explores a variety of helping strategies for reducing the negative effects of substance use, abuse, dependence, and addictive disorders (CACREP, Section III, C.5.). Ethical issues related to the field of Addictions Counseling will also be explored. Department of Health & Human Development

AC 504 Alcohol and Drug Studies: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to program. (F) This course is designed to offer in-depth exploration of alcohol and drug studies. Students will integrate overview information with cutting edge research within the field of addictions as it pertains to a particular population or topic specific to addiction counseling

AC 505 Cross Cultural & Ethical Considerations in Addictions Counseling: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to program. (Su) This course is designed to examine cultural and ethical constructs related to addictions counseling. The focus will be on current literature, theories, approaches, strategies, and techniques shown to be effective when working with populations of clients with addictions

AC 506 Group Counseling in Addictions Settings: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to program. (F) This course provides students with the foundational concepts of group counseling within addiction settings. Topics will include group development, group roles, leadership roles/interventions, group planning/development, multicultural issues, and ethical issues relating to group counseling within addictions settings

AC 507 Systems and Settings in Addictions Counseling: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

(Sp) This course fulfills the Treatment Planning and Documentation requirement for licensure as an Addictions Counselor in Montana. You will learn about systemic perspectives in addiction counseling, roles and duties of addictions counselors, addiction counseling licensure/certification, careers in addiction counseling, and clinical documentation in various addictions settings.

AC 508 Counseling Theories in Addiction Settings: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to the program. (Su) Department of Health & Human Development

AC 509 Assess Treat Plan Addiction II: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to the program. (Sp) This course covers addiction assessment and patient placement, including the American Society of Addiction Medicine Patient Placement Criteria. The course explores a variety of helping strategies for reducing the negative effects of substance use, abuse, dependence, and addictive disorders. Department of Health & Human Development

AC 510 Chem Dependency Counseling II: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

PREREQUISITE: Admittance to the program. (F) This course provides instruction on chemical dependency counseling, emphasizing specific clinical strategies. Substance abuse may coexist with other problems, professionals trained in comprehensive understanding of addiction will be better able to assess, intervene and counsel clients

AC 591 Special Topics: 1-4 Credits ()