# POST-PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT (C)

## **Overview**

The Alcohol and Drug Counseling Program is designed to prepare students to work in the field of addictions counseling. Both a Certificate of Achievement and Associate Degree are available. The program provides students with the education and training to develop paraprofessional expertise and to qualify for employment as entry-level addictions counselors. A required fieldwork component offers students invaluable hands-on experience working at a facility dedicated to the treatment of alcohol and drug addiction. Licensed clinicians seeking expertise in addictions can complete the new non-fieldwork based Skills Competency Award: Post-Professional Practice in Alcohol and Drug Counseling.

# Requirements

#### **Certificate of Achievement Requirements**

Complete all Major Requirements for the Certificate of Achievement with a C or better or Pass in each course. Candidates for a Certificate of Achievement are required to complete at least 20% of the major requirements through SBCC.

Code	Title	Units
Major Requirements		
Required Core		
ADC 120	Alcohol and Other Drugs <sup>1</sup>	3
ADC 122	Pharmacological And Physiological Effects Of Alcohol And Other Drugs <sup>1</sup>	3
ADC 124	Chemical Dependency and the Family 1	3
ADC 125	Co-Occurring Disorders I: Recognition and Referral <sup>1</sup>	3
ADC 126	Treatment And Case Management Of Chemically-Dependent Individual <sup>1</sup>	4
Total Units		16.00

Acceptable substitutions are as follows: ADC 100 will substitute for ADC 120 Alcohol and Other Drugs; ADC 102 will substitute for ADC 122 Pharmacological And Physiological Effects Of Alcohol And Other Drugs; ADC 108 will substitute for ADC 124 Chemical Dependency and the Family; ADC 112 will substitute for ADC 125 Co-Occurring Disorders I: Recognition and Referral; and ADC 105 and ADC 106 or ADC 106 and ADC 116 will substitute for ADC 126 Treatment And Case Management Of Chemically-Dependent Individual.

## **Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Develop an appropriate case history.
- 2. Assess and diagnose both the existence and degree of dependence on alcohol and other drugs.

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- 3. Define the scope, responsibility and limitations of the Alcohol and Drug Counselor.
- Formulate a comprehensive treatment plan based on client need, incorporating adjunctive support systems with primary treatment programs.
- 5. Demonstrate effective verbal and written communication skills.
- 6. Describe what constitutes an effective intervention.
- 7. Describe the dynamics and common roles in the family of the chemically dependent person.
- 8. Describe how to utilize community support systems, Alanon, Alateen, ACA, etc., to support family members through the recovery process.
- 9. Apply therapeutic interventions with traditional and non-traditional family structures.

# **Recommended Sequence**

Make an appointment with your SBCC academic counselor through Starfish to create a Student Education Plan that reflects a recommended course sequence for this program that is tailored to your individual needs.

How to schedule an Academic Counseling appointment (https:// www.sbcc.edu/counselingcenter/counselingappointments.php).