

MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION COUNSELING

A.A.S. DEGREE



Train to be a Substance Abuse Counselor

Do you have a passion to help people in emotional or psychological need or those that abuse alcohol or drugs? If so, a career as a Human Service Professional or Substance Abuse Counselor may be for you. Students will have the opportunity to meet license requirements for chemical dependency counseling and/or to work in a variety of human services environments. Those who complete courses and field work required in each program will meet the eligibility requirements of the Texas Department of State Health Services to take the licensure exams for Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor (LCDC).

Job Outlook

Employment of substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors is projected to grow 18 percent from 2022 to 2032, much faster than the average for all occupations. About 42,000 openings for substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors are projected each year, on average, over the decade.

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* <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/community-and-social-service/substance-abuse-behavioral-disorder-and-mental-health-counselors.htm>

The median annual wage
for counselors was

\$53,710*

in May 2023.

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TDCJ PROGRAMS

A: Mental Health/Addiction Counseling Technical

PHED-1346	Drug Use & Abuse	3
DAAC-1309	Assess-Substance & Addictive	3
DAAC-1317	Basic Counseling Skills	3
SOCW-2361	Introduction to Social Work	3
DAAC-1305	Co-Occurring Disorders	3
DAAC-1311	Counseling Theories	3
DAAC-2301	Therapeutic Communities	3
DAAC-2354	Dynamics of Group Counseling	3
DAAC-2306	Substance Abuse Prevention	3
DAAC-2307	Addicted Family Intervention	3
DAAC-2330	Multicultural Counseling	3
DAAC-2341	Counseling Alcohol & Other	3
SOCI-1306	Social Problems	3
SOCW-2362	Social Welfare	3
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Total # of Technical Hours		42

B: Mental Health/Addiction Counseling Academic

ENGL-1301	Composition I	3
MATH 1314 or MATH 1322	<i>(Plus Dev. Math)</i>	3
PSYC-2301	General Psychology	3
SPCH-1315 or SPCH 1318	Public Speaking	3
SOCI-1301	Intro to Sociology	3
Lang, Phil & Culture/Creative Arts		3
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Total # of Academic Hours		18