

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS STUDIES CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The Alcohol and Other Drug Studies (AODS) major addresses a wide range of issues in the field of substance use and abuse through its degree and certificate course work. Students vary from recent high school graduates to working professionals with advanced college degrees. Students are able to apply and integrate their academic learning through required practicum experiences in various public and private agencies, institutions and businesses. The AODS Program exceeds the minimal standards for AODS Programs established by the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. These standards were identified by State of California legislation as meeting the educational requirements for counselor certification. Degree and certificate completers qualify to apply for state certification as a substance abuse counselor. Completion of the AOD program will assist students in obtaining entry-level employment, job promotion/salary increases or transfer to a four-year college or university.

Required Courses:		Units
AOD 151	Alcohol and Other Drugs: Overview	3
AOD 153	Physiology and Pharmacology of Alcohol and Other Drugs	3
AOD 158	AOD Practicum Preparation	1.5
AOD 164	Field Placement and Practicum Seminar I	1.5
AOD 165	Field Placement and Practicum Seminar II	1.5
AOD 197A	Alcohol and Other Drug Studies Program Practicum	4 - 8
HUS 152	Basic Skills for Human Service Workers	3
HUS 154	Fundamentals of Interviewing and Counseling	3
HUS 155	Group Leadership and Group Process	3
HUS 156	Case Management and Documentation	3
HUS 157	Co-Occuring Disorders and Mental Health Issues	2
HUS 159	Intervention Theory and Techniques	2
HUS 160	Law, Ethics and Human Services	2
HUS 161	Introduction to Family Counseling Approaches	3
HUS 162	Community Prevention Theory and Practice	3
HUS 163	Professional Competency and Growth	2

Total units required for Certificate

40.5 – 44.5

Program Level Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Demonstrate responsibility for their actions and work effectively as individuals and as members of a team.
2. Access, interpret, evaluate and synthesize information using multiple resources, including current information technology.
3. Understand and demonstrate the core addiction counseling competencies as outlined in the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services/SAMHSA Technical Assistance Publication #21.
4. Analyze, understand and evaluate diverse ideas, beliefs and behaviors.