ELAC's Chemical Dependency Counselor Certificate Program is recognized throughout the state. Join the growing number of people who are making a professional commitment to clients whose lives have been disrupted by substance abuse. Our student club, Students Against Substance Abuse (SASA), provides the opportunity to get to know each other through weekly meetings, community service events, educational forums and student-to-student mentoring. A career as a Substance Abuse Counselor will provide the opportunity for you to make a difference in the lives of others for generations to come.
Opportunities for employment after completing the Chemical Dependency Counselor Certificate Program are plentiful. Providing prevention strategies to teens in local schools might be your career choice. Working with teens or adults in an out-patient or in-patient treatment program is another option. Perhaps working in the criminal justice system would interest you. The Psychology department provides employment assistance to all graduates.

The Chemical Dependency Counselor Certificate Program is fully accredited by the California Association of Alcohol and Drug Educators (CAADE). Upon completion of the program, graduates are eligible to be certified by the State of California as Substance Abuse Counselors.

Tuition is low, less than $400 per semester for a full-time student who is a California resident. Plus, we make it easier for working students to attend classes by providing support services such as loans, childcare, tutoring, scholarships, health care and more.

An Associate’s degree from ELAC and completion of lower division university academic requirements prepares graduates to transfer to programs in public and private universities across the country. Chemical dependency counselors with university degrees often become social workers.

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