



Health Sciences Career and Academic Pathways (CAPs) Program Map: Certificate of Achievement for Addiction Studies Counselor

Total number of units: 36 units

Top Code/Academic Plan:

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FALL	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ADDICST 001	Understanding Addiction and Counseling	3	This course is the prerequisite for ADDICST 016.	Offered in fall, spring, and online.
Program Course	ADDICST 007	Addiction Treatment and Recovery	3		Offered in fall, spring, and online.
Program Course	ADDICST 022	Prevention Specialist Training	3		Offered in fall, spring, and online.

Total Units 9

WINTER	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	PSYCH 001	General Psychology	3	Also satisfies IGETC Area 4. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu .	

Total Units 3

SPRING	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	PSYCH 043	Group Dynamics I	3	Prerequisite: ADDICST 001. Corequisite: PSYCH 043.	Offered in fall and spring only.
Program Course	ADDICST 016	Continuing Recovery: Strategies & Basic Skills	3	Prerequisite: ADDICST 001. Corequisite: PSYCH 043	Monterey Park campus only. Evening only. Offered in fall and spring only.
Program Course	ADDICST 010	Addiction and the Family	3		Monterey Park campus only. Evening only. Offered in fall and spring only.

Total Units 9

SUMMER	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	PSYCH 014	Abnormal Psychology	3	It is recommended that PSYCH 001 be taken before this course.	

Total Units 3

FALL	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ADDICST 025	Clinical Counseling for Co-Occurring Disorders	3	Prerequisite: ADDICST 001, 007, 022, and PSYCH 014. Corequisites: ADDICST 010, 016 and PSYCH 043 and 068.	Offered in fall, spring, and online.
Program Course	PSYCH 068	Biopsychology of Chemical Dependency: Drugs, Behavior, and Health	3		Offered in fall, spring, and online.

Total Units 6

SPRING	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ADDICST 081	Outpatient Patient Field Work Practicum	3	All 10 classes listed above must be completed before enrolling in the Field Work classes.	Offered in fall, spring, and online.

SPRING	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	ADDICST 082	Inpatient Field Work Practicum	3	ADDICST 081 is the Prerequisite or Corequisite for this course. All 10 classes listed above must be completed before enrolling in the Field Work classes.	Offered in fall, spring, and online.

Total Units 6

Degree Path and Requirements:

This program requires the above listed courses, which include ten classes and two internships.

This map is a suggested term-by-term sequence of courses to complete the program in a recommended time frame. This is an efficient and recommended plan, but actual plans may vary by individual student need. This map cannot replace a meeting with [counselors](#).

Department Advising Notes:

When the ten required courses are completed, students will apply to department-approved internship sites. Students who complete this program will have met the requirements for the Addiction Prevention Specialist Certificate and Addiction Recovery Specialist Skills Certificate.

Some students who follow this program also pursue the Psychology AA-T. There are three courses in this program, PSYCH 001, 014, 043, that satisfy three Psychology AA-T requirements.

Program Description

The Psychology Department offers this Certificate of Achievement for Addiction Studies Counselor as part of its Addiction Studies Program. This certificate provides academic preparation and fieldwork experience for individuals employed, or preparing for employment, in public and private agencies that serve clients with substance abuse issues.

Career and Transfer Opportunities

This program satisfies the requirements for state certification. One hundred percent of graduates are offered employment in the substance abuse treatment field. Many of these opportunities come from their internship placements.

Visit the [Transfer Center](#) for transfer information, which varies based on transfer college. Make an appointment with a [counselor](#). Students can visit [Career and Job Services](#) for career counseling and further exploration. For additional resources, students pursuing a certificate can visit the [American Job Center of California](#) on ELAC main campus.

Students can explore career opportunities in addiction studies [here](#).

Youtube Videos

[East Los Angeles College Addiction Studies Program - Meet ELAC Champion Leonel Escobar](#)

[East Los Angeles College Addiction Studies Program - Meet ELAC Champion Eddie Alvo](#)

Program Map

A suggested sequence of classes to complete a degree, certificate, or program of study. Students should consult an academic counselor for variations to this plan based on part-time or full-time status, transfer plans, pre-requisites needed, etc.

Prerequisite Course

A specific course that must be completed before advancing to the next course.

Check the online catalog at elac.edu for the latest and most accurate information.

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