

ADDICTION COUNSELING CERTIFICATE

Welcome to the Addiction Counseling program where our motto is Helping and Healing. Addiction Counselors work with individuals who have alcohol, tobacco, drug, or other problems such as gambling and eating disorders. Addiction Counselors provide education, prevention, intervention, and/or rehabilitative services to individuals, families, and groups in a variety of settings. We are very excited to offer this program to our students as a certificate.

Certificate Program

Albany State University offers a certificate for individuals seeking to broaden their career opportunities or seeking to further their careers in addictions by completing the academic courses needed for the Certified Addiction Counseling (CAC I or CAC II) credential. This program is offered in a flexible format, with courses available online. Students may enter the program any semester and finish in three semesters, taking two classes a semester. Students who begin in the Fall semester, have the option of taking three classes in the Fall and three in the Spring in order to finish in two semesters.

Eligibility Requirements

Individuals must have a high school diploma order to sit for the CAC I exam or a bachelors degree to sit for the CAC II certification exam. However, individuals may complete the educational requirements before completing the bachelor's degree. Admission into the program requires:

- Successful completion of English 1101 and English 1102 with a grade of "C" or higher
- Successful completion of a General Psychology course

Addiction Counseling Certificate Program Required Courses

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Required Courses		
HUST 1110	Families and Other Systems	3
HUST 2000	Group Theory & Processes	3
HUST 2050	Counseling Theories & Methods	3
HUST 3650	Applied Community Health	3
HUST 3700	Understanding and Treating Addictions	3
HUST 3750	Current Trends in Addiction & Mental Health	3
Total Semester Hours		18

(270 Clock Hours)

Note: These courses have been approved by the Georgia Addiction Counseling Association's Requirement for educational hours only. Each class equals 45 hours towards the 270 clock hour requirement for CAC II, or the 180 hours for CAC I, or they may be used individually for CEU requirements.