

Addiction Studies

Undergraduate Degree

Program Description

The BS in Addiction Studies prepares students to work directly with individuals with substance use disorders and process addictions (e.g., gambling, disordered eating, etc.) in order to facilitate long-term recovery, autonomy, and improved quality of life. The program's curriculum meets the criteria for the credential as a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor in the State of Texas and serves as a robust foundation for graduate study. This program also supports students and professionals who wish to continue career development in the addictions field and addresses numerous aspects of the treatment process, including, prevention, intervention, residential treatment, and outpatient substance use treatment with adults and adolescents. The program provides rigorous courses taught by clinically trained, licensed and experienced faculty who have a rich history delivering academic instruction in higher education. The program offers an integrated model of addictions, mental health, and co-occurring disorders. The UNT Addiction Studies major provides exposure addiction diagnoses, all levels of care, and competencies for working with adults and adolescents.

Candidates for the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Addiction Studies must meet the following requirements:

Hours required and general/college requirements

A minimum of 120-semester hours, of which 42 must be advanced, and fulfillment of degree requirements for the as specified in the University Core Curriculum in the Academics section of the UNT catalog and the College of Health and Public Service requirements.

Major Requirements 36 hours

30-hours in Addiction Studies

ADDS 3975	Addictions	3-hours	
ADDS 4075	Drugs & Alcohol	3-hours	
ADDS 4175	Addiction Counseling Theories	3-hours	
ADDS 4275	Alcohol, Drugs, & Disability	3-hours	
ADDS 4375	Addiction Counseling & Group	3-hours	
ADDS 4900	Current Issues in Substance Use	3-hours	
ADDS 4675	Addiction Counselor Competencies	3-hours	
ADDS 4775	Professionalism & Ethics	3-hours	
ADDS 4881	Addiction Practicum	6-hours	

Plus 6-hours in Rehabilitation Studies

RHAB 3000	Micro-counseling	3-hours	
RHAB 4500	Assessment in Rehabilitation	3-hours	

Minor Requirements

Minor of 18-hours, of which must be advanced, may be selected with the approval of the academic advisor. Students are advised to consider career goals when selecting their minor area of study. A minor is not required.

Other Requirements

Demonstration of at least 300-hours of field work in ADDS 4881 and a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.3 is required for graduation.