

Graduate Certificate in Alcohol and Substance Abuse

The Human Services Department offers a Graduate Certificate in Alcohol and Substance Abuse to provide education to individuals who wish to become certified in the substance abuse counseling profession, but who do not wish to complete a formal degree program. On completion of the required 20 semester hours of courses, students may take the Certified Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Counselor (CADC) exam through the Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association (IAODAPCA). Students seeking admission to this certificate must have a two-year history of sobriety and an undergraduate degree in social work or behavioral science.

Students must earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in each course (grades of B- or lower will not be accepted).

Required Courses ¹

HMS 502	Interviewing and Assessment Skills in Human Services	4
HMS 525	Alcoholism and Substance Abuse	4
HMS 527	Assessment and Treatment of Substance Abuse	4
HMS 528	Dual Diagnosis and Relapse Prevention	4
HMS 550	Internship (500 hours)	4
Total Hours		20

¹ Prerequisite course for this certificate program is a lifespan or human development course.