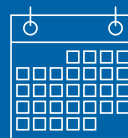


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Certificate in Certified Addiction Counselor

Jump-start your career as a Certified Addiction Counselor (CAC)

The need for compassionate professionals dedicated to helping those struggling with addictive behaviors is growing. Certified Addiction Counselors work with individuals, couples, families, and others affected by addiction — providing critical coping skills, education, and support. By earning this certificate, you'll develop the skills and hands-on experience needed to address the unique effects of addiction disorders, which can impact all aspects of a person's life. Graduates of Goodwin's Certified Addiction Counselor (CAC) certificate program go on to work in residential treatment facilities, outpatient clinics, private medical practices, community health centers, governmental agencies, hospitals, human service clinics, and more!

Prepare for a career helping others by becoming a Certified Addiction Counselor

As a certified addiction counselor, you'll work collaboratively with a team of medical professionals and mental health providers to help people in your community who are suffering from substance abuse problems and other addictive behaviors. You'll develop the knowledge and skills necessary to facilitate individual and group support services, intervene during a crisis, and provide critical community outreach and education. As a certified addiction counselor, you will use your voice to influence policy changes at the local, state, and federal levels, advocating for professionals in the field and those receiving treatment.

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Curriculum		
HSR 222	Foundations of Helping and Service Delivery	3
HSR 297	Human Services Internship I (90 hours)	3
HSR 298	Human Services Internship II (90 hours)	3
HSR 493	Human Services Capstone I (120 hours)	3
HSR 235/ PSY 235	Introduction to Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorders	3
PSY 215	Abnormal Psychology	3

Total Credits: 18

Learn from experts in the field

In this program, you'll learn from Goodwin's expert faculty of clinical mental health counselors, addictions professionals, social workers, and psychologists. You'll gain an in-depth understanding of the causes and treatment of substance abuse disorders and how these disorders affect our communities. You'll learn the necessary skills to work with individuals and families to counsel, educate, and support those affected by addiction. You will help clients develop new coping skills that can create lifelong positive change. At Goodwin, you can become the support professional your community needs.

Become a sought-after addiction counselor

This program is designed for those with a high school diploma or an equivalent qualification who are looking to start a career helping others in their community. A Certified Addiction Counselor certificate is also perfect for someone active in their own recovery with a unique perspective on what it takes to overcome addiction. When you earn your Certified Addiction Counselor certificate, you'll become part of a network of human service providers. By earning your CAC certificate at Goodwin University, you'll set yourself on the path to a fulfilling and secure career filled with opportunities for advancement — all while making a difference in the lives of others.

Possible workplaces include:

- Community health facilities
- Governmental agencies
- Hospitals
- Mental health clinics
- Methadone maintenance facilities
- Non-profit organizations
- Outpatient clinics
- Private medical clinics
- Residential treatment facilities

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