## The Addictions, Screening, Assessment, and Referral (ASAR) Certificate

The cost of addictions in America is measured in the billions of dollars. Unfortunately, there's no magic bullet for addressing addictions or getting individuals into treatment. But there is hope.

There are tools that managers, administrators, and professionals can use to address addictions among employees within their organizations.

### **Addictions Hit Hard**

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**Certificate** teaches professionals how to play an active role in screening for addictions – and, more important, getting individuals with addictions into the treatment they need.

### **Brief Intervention**

The technique is known as "brief intervention," and it works. Studies back up the effectiveness brief intervention has in bringing about immediate changes in individuals – and in providing referrals for specialized treatment.

Brief intervention can make the difference in organizational performance and in eliminating the devastating impact addictions have on individuals.

## Convenient, Online Coursework

Certificate courses are offered in an interactive online format to accommodate the needs of adult learners.

# How to Apply to the Addictions Screening, Assessment, and Referral Certificate

Take the next step. Contact the **Department of Addictions Studies** at **708.534.4910**.

For Governors State University admission information, call **708.534.4490** or **800.GSU.8GSU**.

## **SUCCESS BY DEGREES**



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Estimates of the total overall costs of substance abuse in the United States, including productivity and health- and crimerelated costs, exceed \$600 billion annually. This includes approximately \$181 billion for illicit drugs, \$193 billion for tobacco, and \$235 billion for alcohol.

Source: *NIDA InfoFacts: Understanding Drug Abuse and Addiction* The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), 2011



## **GSU** College of Health and Human Services

## **SUCCESS BY DEGREES**

### **Special Admission Requirements**

In addition to meeting university admission criteria, applicants must:

- submit an application for admission to the certificate program; and
- have a bachelor's degree in a health, human services, justice, or education area with a minimum cumulative G.P.A. of 2.50 on a 4.0 scale.

### **Certificate Requirements**

Students will complete the certificate program in Addictions Screening, Assessment, and Referral by satisfactorily passing each of the following courses with a minimum 70 percent achievement level; a final grade of "C" or better; and with a cumulative G.P.A. of "B" or better (3.0 on a 4.0 scale).

### **Required Courses**

ADDS 5100 Substance Abuse – Current Concepts (3) ADDS 7100 Substance Abuse Screening, Motivation, and Referral (3) ADDS 5520 Disparity and Diversity in Substance Abuse (3) HLSC 5512 Changing Health Behaviors (3)

#### **Total: 12 Hours**

#### **Accreditation/Certification**

Illinois residents seeking certification as Assessment/Referral Specialists through the Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association, Inc. (IODAPCA) may use that coursework to partially satisfy certification requirements.\*

\*Please see the current Governors State University Catalog for additional information. State certification may be available in other states. It is suggested that applicants review licensure and certification requirements in the states in which they anticipate employment.

Governors State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

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