

Master of Health Science in Addictions Studies

Addiction Affects Us All

Addiction injures the addict and the people closest to him/her, and hurts the rest of us through its impact on healthcare, law enforcement, and occupational and educational arenas.

Leaders Needed Now

We know one thing for certain – treatment works. Treatment programs need professionals who know addictions and how to empower individuals to overcome them.

The MHS in Addictions Studies

The Master of Health Science in Addictions Studies degree program prepares leaders in addictions prevention and treatment. The curriculum emphasizes state-of-the-art, evidence-based approaches to addictions – giving you the skills and background you need to meet the changing needs of clients and their communities.

Multicultural Perspective

The program has a strong underpinning in cultural understanding and sensitivity, giving you the ability to appreciate – and respond to – cultural and community influences on addictions and recovery.

Comprehensive Curriculum

The program is comprehensive, including pharmacology, prevention, counseling, and group techniques. We lay the foundations for research to practice. We integrate that knowledge into a thorough investigation of treatment programs, from planning to management. Internships complete the program and provide opportunities for students to apply what they have learned.

Learn More! Meet with an Advisor

Take the next step. Call **708.534.4490** or visit **www.govst.edu/chhs/adds**.

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

The MHS in Addictions Studies program is accredited by the Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association (IAODAPCA) and satisfies the academic requirements toward the Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC) professional credential. Qualified students may also take the criminal justice internship option to meet the requirements for the Certified Criminal Justice Addictions Professional (CCJP).

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One in four Americans will have an **alcohol or drug problem** at some point in their lives. Almost a **quarter of a trillion dollars** of the nation's yearly healthcare costs are attributable to **substance abuse and addiction**.

Source: The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, 2011.



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Special Admission Requirements*

In addition to meeting university admissions criteria, applicants must:

- have a cumulative G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher for all undergraduate courses; and
- have completed the following course work or their equivalent**: six hours of study in the behavioral sciences (three hours must be in an introductory psychology course and the additional three hours in psychology, sociology, social work, or anthropology); six hours of biological sciences or chemistry; and a statistics or research methods course; PREREQUISITES: nine credit-hour of addiction-related course work, including three credits in multicultural perspective (may be completed after admission to the program).

**Applicants must provide documentation of equivalent course work to the advisor.

Recommended Preparation

An undergraduate major in one of the following fields is recommended: behavioral sciences, social work, or allied health disciplines. An undergraduate minor in addictions studies is suggested.

Degree Requirements

Credit-hours earned in Addictions Studies professional development courses cannot be applied toward degree requirements.

Students must meet all university requirements for a master's degree.

Required Courses (29 Hours)

- ADDS 610 Psychopharmacology (3)
- ADDS 720 Substance Abuse Prevention (3)
- ADDS 845 Clinical Models of Addiction (3)
- ADDS 815 Substance Abuse Counseling (3)
- ADDS 821 Group Techniques (3)
- ADDS 825 Etiology and Epidemiology of Substance Abuse (3)
- ADDS 835 Planning, Managing, and Evaluating Substance Abuse Programs (3)

- ADDS 850 Treating Coexisting Disorders (3)
or
ADDS 855 Seminar in Substance Abuse (3)

- ADDS 865 Internship Seminar (1)
- ADDS 869 Comprehensive Examination (1)
- ADDS 880 Internship (3)

Career Selectives (3 Hours)

In consultation with advisor, select three hours from the courses that are appropriate to the student's career or educational goals.

Total – 32 Hours

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

This information is for reference only. For complete degree information, please refer to the current approved Governors State University catalog online at www.govst.edu/catalog.