# **Master of Health Science** in Addictions Studies

# College of Health & Human Services

#### Addiction Affects Us All

Addiction injures the addict, 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 understand 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.

#### **Take Courses at Your Convenience**

The master degree program can be completed in several formats that are convenient for the adult learner. Take fully in-class sessions and well as hybrid courses in which 50% of the coursework is completed online, or complete the entire program fully online.

## **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 translating research into 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!

Take the next step. Visit <a href="www.govst.edu/chhs/das/mhs">www.govst.edu/chhs/das/mhs</a>, or email Mary Rothenberg at <a href="mrothenberg@govst.edu">mrothenberg@govst.edu</a> for additional information.

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.

### **FACT**

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.)

