

Students enrolled in GSU's Master of Health Science (MHS) in Addictions Studies program can now keep pace with all the latest trends in clinical counseling through a new 60-hour, full-time Addictions Counseling Concentration program.

### Beyond Substance Abuse

Addictions counseling can no longer be viewed strictly from a substance abuse perspective. Addiction is very often tied into other disorders, such as depression, bi-polar disorder, anxiety and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

Through exposure to all the latest evidence-based research and a wide range of established clinical theories, MHS students enrolled in the Addictions Counseling Concentration program become well-equipped to provide the best possible clinical outcomes for their clients.

### Eligibility

Students who meet the following criteria are eligible to enroll in the Addictions Counseling Concentration:

- Current student in the MHS in Addictions Studies program;
- Achieved candidacy status;
- Have no grade of "C" or less in any core courses; and
- Have a GPA of 3.5 or higher in all completed core courses.

### Learn More!

For additional information, e-mail Professor Serena Wadhwa at [swadhwa@govst.edu](mailto:swadhwa@govst.edu). For complete information and application forms, visit the MHS in Addictions Studies website, at [www.govst.edu/chhs/das/mhs/acc](http://www.govst.edu/chhs/das/mhs/acc)

### FACT:

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects a 27 percent increase in the number of jobs for substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors between the years 2010 and 2020, faster than the average for all occupations. (Source: <http://www.bls.gov/ooH/community-and-social-service/substance-abuse-and-behavioral-disorder-counselors.htm> Visited 1-11-2013.)



**Masters of Addictions Counseling Curriculum  
Required Courses**

ADDS 7100 Screening and Assessment (3)  
ADDS 6140 Professional Practice (3)  
ADDS 7700 Clinical Supervision (3)  
ADDS 6400 Behavioral Health Across the Lifespan (3)  
ADDS 7300 Career Development (3)  
ADDS 8400 Practicum in Addictions Screening (3)  
ADDS 5520 Cultural Considerations (3)  
ADDS 6300 Families Counseling Approaches, & Addictions (3)  
ADDS 7600 Psychopathology and Coexisting Disorders (3)

**or**

ADDS 8200 Seminar in Substance Abuse (3)  
(whichever has not been previously completed)  
ADDS 8800 Internship (4)  
ADDS 8810 Advanced Clinical Internship (4)

**Total Hours — 35**

**Application Deadlines**

- The Application Deadline for Spring Admission is October 30th.
- The Application Deadline for Fall Admission is April 30th.

Completed applications must be received by the Department of Addictions Studies and Behavioral Health, Room G124, by the application deadline or emailed to [accreviewcommittee@govst.edu](mailto:accreviewcommittee@govst.edu)

**Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.**