ADDICTION COUNSELING CERTIFICATE

The addiction counseling certificate is designed to develop knowledgeable, compassionate, and well-trained professionals ready to meet the increasing demand for effective substance use disorder treatment and prevention services. Through a blend of advanced academic coursework, practical clinical training, and evidence-based approaches, this program equips students with the skills needed to support individuals and families affected by addiction.

Program Related Information

Program Contact

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Program Website (https://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-education-health-and-human-sciences/counseling/)

Admissions

General Application Requirements and Admission Criteria (https://catalog.unomaha.edu/graduate/admission/)

Application Deadlines

- **Spring 2027, Summer 2027, and Fall 2027:** Applications for this certificate are accepted on a rolling basis. All materials must be submitted prior to the semester in which the applicant has elected to begin coursework.

Other Requirements

- Bachelor's degree (minimum)
- Master's students in clinical programs at UNO and other NE institutions
- Master's students in allied health programs at UNO and other NE institutions
- Licensed professionals (LIMHPs, LCSWs, MFTs, ABA practitioners, Psychologists)
- **English Language Proficiency:** Applicants are required to have a command of oral and written English. Those who do not hold a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from the United States, **OR** a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from a predetermined country on the waiver list, (https://www.unomaha.edu/office-of-graduate-studies/admissions/entrance-exams.php) must meet the minimum language proficiency score requirement in order to be considered for admission.
  - Internet-based TOEFL: 80, IELTS: 6.5, PTE: 53, Duolingo: 110
- **Statement of Purpose:** 2 pages (double-spaced) addressing the following:
  - Reason(s) for pursuing the counseling profession,
  - Relevant experience,
  - Personal career goals,
  - Reason(s) for choosing UNO's Addiction Counseling Professional program.
- **Resume or curriculum vitae**
- OPTIONAL: One letter of recommendation from a reference who can speak to your professional competence and/or academic ability.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
COUN/SOWK 8516	CLINICAL TREATMENT ISSUES IN SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS	3
COUN/SOWK 8686	MEDICAL AND PSYCHOSOCIAL ASPECTS OF ADDICTION	3
COUN/SOWK 8696	ASSESSMENT AND CASE MANAGEMENT IN ADDICTION COUNSELING	3
COUN 8220	COUNSELING PRACTICUM [1]	3
Total Credits		**12**

[1] A student must receive a grade of "B" or higher to satisfactorily complete this course.