

Addiction Studies

The Minot State University Addiction Studies Program is accredited by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission.

Addiction Studies Program Mission

To prepare students for licensure as an addiction counselor within the state of North Dakota.

Welcome to Addiction Studies!

Minot State University's Addiction Studies Program provides the academic requirements for the North Dakota addiction counseling license. The program requirements meet the national academic standards set forth by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission. For those wanting to become a licensed addiction counselor in North Dakota, in addition to their degree, graduates will need to complete 960 hours of training and pass the required licensure test. Program faculty assist students in the application process for the training. Faculty also assist students in understanding other states' and Canadian provinces' requirements for addiction counseling practice. For students interested in pursuing advanced degrees, the program provides students with a foundation to pursue graduate programs in clinical, counseling, or addiction psychology.

Program Policy:

A 3.0 grade point average classes required for the major and a 2.5 overall GPA

Bachelor of Science with a Major in Addiction Studies (120 CR)

Credits applied to the addiction studies major/minor/concentration may not be applied to the psychology major/minor/concentration.

Required Core (66 credits)

General Education		38-40
PSY 112	Foundations of Psychology	3
PSY 241	Introduction to Statistics	4
or MATH 210	Elementary Statistics	
or DATA 211	Applied Statistics and Data Visualization	
PSY 261	Psychology of Adjustment	3
PSY 270	Psychological Disorders and Treatments	3
PSY 379	Psychology of Adulthood and Aging	3
PSY 255	Child and Adolescent Psychology	3
PSY 411	Introduction to Personality Theories	3
PSY 465	Introduction to Behavioral Neuroscience	3
MHA 297	Addiction Studies Practicum	2
MHA 338	Professional Relations and Ethics	3
MHA 344	Dynamics of Addiction	3
MHA 349	Psychopharmacology	3
MHA 423	Introduction to Counseling	3
MHA 424	Advanced Counseling	3
MHA 476	Group Dynamics	3
SOC 201	Social Problems	3
SWK 340	Social Welfare Policy & Environmental Justice	3
SWK 331	Family Dynamics	3
HIST 283	Diversity in America	3
ENGL 315	Profes and Tech Writing	3
CJ 320	Community Corrections	3
CJ 388	Societal Reentry from Incarceration	3
Electives		16-14
Total Hours		120

A 960-hour clinical experience is required for North Dakota Licensure.

Addiction Studies Minor

Credits applied to the addiction studies minor may not be applied to the psychology major/minor/concentration.

MHA 338	Professional Relations and Ethics	3
MHA 344	Dynamics of Addiction	3
MHA 349	Psychopharmacology	3
PSY 411	Introduction to Personality Theories	3
SWK 331	Family Dynamics	3
MHA 423	Introduction to Counseling	3
MHA 424	Advanced Counseling	3
MHA 476	Group Dynamics	3
Total Hours		24

Addiction Studies Concentration

Credits applied to the addiction studies concentration may not be applied to the psychology major/minor/concentration.

MHA 338	Professional Relations and Ethics	3
MHA 476	Group Dynamics	3
SWK 331	Family Dynamics	3
MHA 344	Dynamics of Addiction	3
MHA 349	Psychopharmacology	3
MHA 424	Advanced Counseling	3
Total Hours		18