

CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

Chemical Dependency Counseling Certificate Program

College of Education and Human Services

INTRODUCTION

One of the fastest growing job markets in the mental health disciplines is chemical dependency counseling. The state of Ohio now has its own board to license chemical dependency counselors (The Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board - OCDPB). This program provides all the academic training for all levels of chemical dependency counseling licensure.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This is a joint program between social work and counseling that provides all the academic requirements for licensure as a Licensed Independent Chemical Dependency Counselor (LICDC).

The OCDPB requires 274 hours of academic training for the LICDC. 100 hours are infused into the coursework of the Community Agency and School Counseling programs and the master's in social work program. The remaining 174 hours are covered in 12 credits of core chemical dependency counseling education. Completion of the master's and the 12 hours of core chemical dependency coursework results in the awarding of the certificate.

Those completing the certificate will still need to complete and document the experiential requirements set forth by the OCDPB. These can

be found at <http://ocdp.ohio.gov/>

PROGRAM COURSES

CNS 501: Chemical Dependency: Assessment, Prevention, Treatment (4 credits)

SWK 692: Group Work Practice (3 credits)

CNS 502: Pharmacology of Addiction (1 credit)

SWK 694: Theories and Procedures in Addictions Studies (3 credits)

CNS 503: Legal/Ethical Issues in Substance Dependence (1 credit)



ADMISSION TO THE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM:

Admission to the certificate program is open to current students in counseling, social work, clinical or school psychology, OR those holding master's degrees in accredited counseling or social work programs from other institutions. Application for the certificate program can be made to: Elliott Ingersoll, Professor, Coordinator, Counseling and Certificate Programs; r.ingersoll@csuohio.edu (216)687-5291.

WHO ELSE MAY TAKE THE CORE COURSES?

The core courses can be taken by any degree seeking student in a behavioral science program or they can be taken as non-degree. Those simply taking the courses will still need to complete an additional 100 hours of training as well as supervised experience for the LICDC.

CERTIFICATE SCHEDULE

Fall Semesters

CNS 501:
SATURDAYS 9AM-1-PM

SWK 692:
MONDAYS 4pm-7pm in Fall
Semester

SWK 694:
MONDAYS 7PM-10PM in Fall
Semester

Spring Semesters

CNS 503:
SATURDAY FORMAT (3 Saturdays
for 4 hours each)

CNS 502:
SATURDAY FORMAT (3 Saturdays
for 4 hours each)

SWK 692:
MONDAYS 7pm-10pm in Spring
Semester

SWK 694:
MONDAYS 4PM-7PM in Spring
Semester