

ALCOHOL AND DRUG STUDIES

About the Program

As a student in the Alcohol and Drug Studies program, you will prepare to work with the alcohol and other drug-dependent population, and the family and employer of the chemically dependent person. The program addresses community needs for trained alcohol and other drug specialists to work and volunteer in both public and private agencies in the Bay Area and across the State of California.

A grade of "C" or better is required for each course in the major or area of emphasis. A "P" (Pass) grade is an acceptable grade for courses in the major or area of emphasis if the course is taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.

Career opportunities in this field include:

- Primary Addiction Counselor/Supervisor
- Case Manager
- Program Director
- Prevention Educator
- Co-occurring Rehabilitation Counselor
- Crisis Intervention Specialist
- Criminal Justice Addiction Counselor
- Assessment/Placement Specialist

Other opportunities include working with adolescents, seniors, multicultural populations, and those who have been affected by HIV/AIDS. Students who are awarded a certificate may be employed by:

- In-patient and out-patient treatment clinics
- Mental health clinics
- Job training/placement programs
- Shelters for various homeless populations
- Detoxification units
- Crisis intervention centers
- Criminal justice programs
- DUI programs
- Education/prevention programs in schools and community

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Associate Degrees

- Alcohol and Drug Studies - Associate in Arts (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/alcohol-drug-studies-associate-arts/>)
- Alcohol and Drug Studies - Associate in Science (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/alcohol-drug-studies-associate-science/>)

Certificates

- Alcohol and Drug Studies - Certificate of Achievement Level 2 (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/alcohol-drug-studies-certificate-achievement-level-2/>)

- Alcohol and Drug Studies Certification - Certificate of Achievement Level 3 (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/certificate-of-achievement-level-3/>)
- Alcohol and Drug Studies - Addiction and Criminal Justice - Certificate of Specialization (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/addiction-and-criminal-justice-certificate-specialization/>)
- Alcohol and Drug Studies - LAADC - Certificate of Specialization (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/laadc-certificate-specialization/>)
- Alcohol and Drug Studies - Peer Mentor - Certificate of Specialization (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/peer-mentor-certificate-specialization/>)
- Integrated Behavioral Health - Certificate of Specialization (<https://catalog.sjcc.edu/degrees-certificates/alcohol-drug-studies/integrated-behavioral-health-certificate-specialization/>)