

Career Information for Chemical Dependency

A College of Education Major

General Overview Information

Addiction counseling programs prepare students to work as counselors with people who have alcohol or substance abuse addictions. Students learn to assess problems and set up treatment plans. They learn methods for early intervention and prevention.

Do You Have These Characteristics?

High Emotional Energy · Strong Interest in Helping Others · Good Communication Skills
Work Independently & as part of a Team · Ability to Follow the Code of Ethics of the Profession
Ability to Inspire Trust, Respect & Have Confidence in Others

Salary Information Can Be Found At:

www.bls.gov/bls/blswage.htm

www.iseek.org

www.stcloudstate.edu/careerservices

What Can You Do?

- Substance Abuse Counselor

Where Can You Work?

- Social Agencies
- Correctional Institutions
- Residential Care Facilities
- Drug & Alcohol Rehabilitation Centers
- State & Local Government Agencies
- Insurance Companies
- Health Maintenance Organizations
- Group Practice
- Private Practice
-and MORE!!

Resources

- SCSU Community Psychology – www.stcloudstate.edu/ceep
- Occupational Outlook Handbook – <http://stats.bls.gov/oco/ocos067.htm>
- American Counseling Association – www.counseling.org
- National Board for Certified Counselors – www.nbcc.org
- National Association of Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Counseling – www.naadac.org
- Association for Behavior Analysis International – www.abainternational.org
- *Career Opportunities in the Nonprofit Sector*
- *Careers in Social and Rehabilitative Services*
- *Minnesota Business Directory*
- *National Trade and Professional Associations*
- *The College Majors Handbook*

(Books are available at SCSU Career Services Center)