

Northern Virginia Community College 2008-2009 Catalog

SUBSTANCE ABUSE REHABILITATION COUNSELOR

Certificate

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Purpose: This curriculum is designed to fulfill the Virginia state educational requirements for the certification of substance abuse counselors. To meet substance abuse counselor certification requirements, the applicant is expected to meet specific education requirements including didactic and experiential learning with a supervised internship required.

Individuals desiring skills and knowledge in this career field, but not seeking State Certification may also enroll.

Cooperative Education: Students in this curriculum will participate in at least 3 semester hours of Cooperative Education unless they already have equivalent experience. For further information, contact the Alexandria Campus Cooperative Education Office.

One Year		Credits
1st Semester		
ENG	111 College Composition I or SPD 110 Intro. to Speech Communication	3
HMS	121 Basic Counseling Skills I	3
HMS	141 Group Dynamics I	3
HMS	251 Substance Abuse I	3
HMS	266 Counseling Psychology	3
PSY	232 Life Span Human Dev. II	3
SDV	Elective	<u>1</u>
	Total	19
2nd Semester		
HMS	142 Group Dynamics II	3
HMS	145 Effects of Psychoactive Drugs	3
HMS	252 Substance Abuse II	3
HMS	258 Case Mgt. & Substance Abuse	3
HMS	290 Coordinated Internship	3
¹ ___	Social Science Elective	<u>3</u>
	Total	18

Total credits for the Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Counselor Certificate = 37.

¹ The social science elective may be selected from the social/behavioral sciences courses listed under General Education Electives.