

## Certificate in Substance Abuse & Addictions Studies

The goal of academic advising is to further enhance the educational mission of the university, and create quality, accessible advising partnerships with all students in a positive environment that supports student success. This advising sheet is for tracking purposes toward degree completion and is subject to change. Students also may track their academic progress via STAR Degree Check through STAR GPS at <https://www.star.hawaii.edu/>. Academic Advising appointments may be scheduled by calling [808-689-2689](tel:808-689-2689) or toll-free from neighbor islands at [866-299-8656](tel:866-299-8656).

Up to two required courses may be waived if appropriate lower division courses (e.g., HSERV courses taken at Leeward Community College) were completed. Other upper division courses recommended by the student's advisor must be taken to fulfill the total of 19 credits required for the certificate. A minimum of 12 credits must be completed with UH West O'ahu.

Please contact Kanoa Meriwether at [kanoa@hawaii.edu](mailto:kanoa@hawaii.edu) for waiver approval and more information.

### Expository Writing Requirement

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	ENG 100 Composition I or equivalent

### Introductory Psychology Requirement

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	PSY 100 Survey of Psychology or equivalent

### Coursework that includes a DSM-V Requirement

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	PSY 371 Abnormal Psychology or PSY 474 Culture & Mental Illness – course must be taken within the past 5 years, with a grade of "C" or better

### Certificate Requirement (19 UD)

Credits	Course Alpha / Number / Title
3	PSY 373 Counseling Skills
1	PSY 374 Ethics in Counseling & Psychotherapy
3	PSY 403 Causation & Prevention of Substance Abuse & Addiction
3	PSY 404 Social Correlates of Psychoactive Drug Use <b>or</b> PSY 408 Group Interventions in Substance Abuse & Addiction
3	PSY 405 Biological Correlates of Psychoactive Drug Use
3	PSY 406 Assessment & Treatment of Substance Abuse & Addiction
3	PSY 407B Psychology Practicum: Interventions Related to Substance Use

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Note: Completion of the certificate satisfies current state education requirements for substance abuse counselors (note: the State education requirements may also be satisfied with other social science course work). State certification further requires fieldwork hours and a written and oral examination. For more information on the State certification call (808) 692-7518 or visit their website at: [health.hawaii.gov/substance-abuse/counselor-certification/](http://health.hawaii.gov/substance-abuse/counselor-certification/).