



## ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (AA-DTA) WITH CERTIFICATE IN HUMAN SERVICES SUBSTANCE ABUSE (FS ONLY)

### GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (60 CREDITS)

All GER elective courses must be chosen from the approved lists on the AA-DTA degree requirement sheet (see Getting an AA-DTA Degree brochure.)

All other AA-DTA degree requirements must also be fulfilled.

#### Communications (10 credits)

ENGL& 101 English Composition I	5
CM GER Elective (ENGL 103 recommended)	5

#### Quantitative Skills (5 credits)

QS GER Elective (MATH& 146 recommended)	5
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#### Social Science (15 credits): Choose three disciplines:

PSYC& 100 General Psychology	5
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Select two:

** ECON 110 Survey of Economics	10
SOC& 101 Intro to Sociology	

\* Any other SS GER Elective

#### Natural Sciences (15 credits):

Choose three disciplines, lab class required:

BIOL 118 Hum Anatomy and Physiology for Non-Sci Mjrs	5
NS GER Elective	5

Select one:

HSCI 119 Human Health and Disease	
HSCI 210 Wellness	
NUTR& 101 Nutrition	5

#### Humanities (15 credits): Choose three disciplines:

HM GER Electives (see AA-DTA Humanities for restrictions)	10
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Select one:

CMST& 101 Intro to Communication	5
CMST& 220 Public Speaking	

### HUMAN SERVICES SUBSTANCE ABUSE CORE (51 CREDITS)

* ANTH& 206	Cultural Anthropology (or ANTH& 106*)	5
HSSA& 101	Intro to Addictive Drugs	3
HSSA 120	Physiological Actions of Alcohol & other Drugs	3
HSSA 121	Psychotropic Medications	3
HSSA 140	Chemical Dependency & the Family I	5
HSSA 170	Counseling & Treatment I — Individual	5
HSSA 205	HIV/AIDS, Air & Blood Borne Pathogens	1
HSSA 210	Case Management/Recordkeeping	5
HSSA 215	Law & Ethics in Chemical Dependency	5
HSSA 255	Intro to Co-Occurring Disorders/Chemical Abuse And Mental Illness	3
HSSA 270	Counseling & Treatment II — Group	5
HSSA 275	Relapse Prevention	3
PSYC& 200	Lifespan Psychology	5

**Total Credits Required 111**

*\*Or course meeting multicultural requirements*

*\*\*Recommended for transfer to social work at UWT*

*Note: Students must earn a minimum grade of 2.0 in all HSSA courses to earn HSSA associate degree or certificate.*

### Notes:

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Employment opportunities in the field of chemical dependency have expanded in recent years. At least one quarter of supervised field work in an agency that serves chemical dependency clients is required for the certificate and degree programs.

Pierce College's AA with Certificate in Human Services Substance Abuse is recommended for students who plan to transfer to four-year colleges and universities in Washington. Students are advised to make early contact with the school to which he or she intends to transfer.

The Associate of Arts with Certificate in Human Services Substance Abuse degree is designed to prepare students for entry-level positions.

## **Chemical Dependency Intern**

**Alcohol/Drug Educator**

**Chemical Dependency**

**Counselor**

**Chemical Dependency**

**Youth Specialist**

**Detox Counselor**

**Drug Court Counselor**

**Intervention Specialist**

**Prevention/Early**

**Intervention Specialist**

**Alcohol/Drug Information School Instructor**

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## Program Outcomes

- Counsel one to one and in groups with adults and adolescents
- Teach a unit and/or a community education presentation
- Connect with and refer to other service agencies
- Abide by laws and ethical standards of the profession
- Assess and manage a client case via charting, reporting, and use of various assessment tools
- Utilize a variety of area-specific counseling skills; e.g., family, couples, skills training, adolescent, etc.
- Counsel and educate patients and families to improve family relationships for greater success in recovery
- Communicate and write effectively
- Practice professional workforce behaviors: e.g. be on time, meet deadlines, have appropriate boundaries, etc.

*Special funding may be available for unemployed workers and low-wage working parents. See your advisor or call (253) 964.6265.*

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## **Related Codes**

Intent: **F or J**

AAS with Cert: **437**

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