

Certificate in Substance Use Disorders

The Substance Use Disorders Certificate (<https://www.apu.edu/bas/programs/substance-use-disorders-certificate/>) is designed for students already enrolled in the MFT program, and for program alumni wishing to return and enhance their knowledge base. The certificate comprises 11 additional units taken over the course of a year (students who have not already taken PPSY 511 as part of the MFT program must also complete that course as part of their certificate, bringing their program unit count to 14), allowing students time to work in the field while gaining expertise. This program expands on the skills and knowledge needed to improve the health and wellness of individuals struggling with substance use, giving students access to a competency that historically has been afforded only to those working in the substance use disorder field.

Requirements

Code	Title	Units
PPSY 511	Addictions, Assessment, and Interventions	3
PPSY 513	Substance Use Disorders II: History, Support, and Promising Practices	3
PPSY 514	Substance Use Disorders III: Co-Occurring Disorders, Co-Morbidity, and Integrated Treatment	3
PPSY 515	SUD IV: Families and Other Special Populations; Confidentiality and Evidence Based Practices	3
PPSY 516	Legal and Ethical Issues in Substance Use Disorders	1
PPSY 517	Motivational Interviewing with the SUD Population	1
Total Units		14

Admission

University graduate admission and program-specific requirements must be met before an application is complete (see Admission to the University (<http://catalog.apu.edu/admissions/>)). **Program-specific application requirements are available online (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>).**

International students should contact Graduate and Professional Admissions (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>) for application procedures.