

Minor in Alcohol and Drug Counseling (Professional)

24 units

Substance use treatment is an ever-expanding career field, and the professional minor in alcohol and drug counseling gives individuals the foundational knowledge, understanding, and skills needed to enter the field as a bachelor-level staff member. This program prepares students to pursue alcohol and drug counselor credentialing with the California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP), as students who complete this minor satisfy the educational requirements for certified alcohol and drug counselors—although, to qualify for the alcohol and drug counseling credential, additional efforts are required, as outlined and determined by CCAPP.

Note: 6 units of the alcohol and drug counseling professional minor can be used to meet requirements of the psychology bachelor's completion (BA) program. Specifically, PRPS 455 and PRPS 485 can be used to meet the requirements for both the psychology bachelor's completion (BA) program and the professional minor. 15 units of this minor, including 3 units of PRPS 455, must be completed at Azusa Pacific University.

Requirements

Code	Title	Units
PRPS 280	Introduction to Certified Alcohol Drug Counselor Credentialing	3
PRPS 451	Interventions in Counseling	3
PRPS 455	Field Experience ^{1, 2, 3}	6
PRPS 463	Drugs, Behavior, and Society	3
PRPS 464	Substance Use Assessment and Interventions	3
PRPS 466	Case Management in Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders	3
PRPS 485	Stress and Coping ⁴	3
Total Units		24

¹ This course is taken twice for a total of 6 units.

² Meets the General Education Integrative and Applied Learning requirement.

³ Three units of this course can count toward the professional minor and the psychology bachelor's completion (BA) program (<http://catalog.apu.edu/academics/college-education-behavioral-sciences/school-behavioral-sciences/psychology/ba-psychology/>).

⁴ This course can count toward the professional minor and the psychology bachelor's completion program.

Program Learning Outcomes

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Students who successfully complete this program shall be able to:

1. Develop entry level mastery of knowledge of substance use, misuse, and effective treatment for substance use problems.
2. Demonstrate entry level skills in engagement and facilitation of substance use recovery strategies.
3. Apply knowledge and skill related to Alcohol and Drug counseling in field experiences.
4. Demonstrate the ability to integrate faith into a comprehensive conceptualization of substance use problems.