DESCRIPTION

The Alcohol and Drug Studies program is designed to prepare students to serve as professionals in the growing career field of chemical and behavioral addiction counseling. Imperial Valley College is an accredited CAADE (California Association for Alcohol/Drug Educators) program. The Alcohol and Drug Studies major and certificate meet state requirements. Students completing these programs can take the CATC examination and obtain the California Addiction Treatment Counselor Credential. This credential will help students obtain jobs in social service agencies, treatment programs, recovery homes, schools, DEA, and law enforcement. This program prepares students for transfer to institutions providing higher degrees with the social service majors.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAMS

The Associate in Arts (AA) or the Associate in Science (AS) Degree involves satisfactory completion of a minimum of 60 semester units with a C average or higher, including grades of C in all courses required for the major, and fulfillment of all IVC district requirements for the associate’s degree along with all general education requirements. The degree provides a sound basis for transfer to upper division institutions for additional degrees or for higher vocational preparation.

To be eligible to receive an Associate Degree the student must complete the requirements for the major, the District requirements for an Associate Degree, and the General Education requirements. In addition students must maintain a minimum grade point average and meet the minimum grade requirements of their program. Detailed information is available in the college catalog.

The Certificate of Achievement program is designed for students with personal or occupational goals who wish early employment. To qualify for the Certificate, a student must satisfy the following requirements: (1) complete all courses listed for a particular certificate; (2) achieve a “C” average (2.0 GPA) for all courses used to complete the certificate; and, (3) file a Certificate Application form with Admissions and Records by the appropriate deadline(s) identified on the application.

TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfil major requirements for an associate degree at Imperial Valley College may not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a bachelor’s degree. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with an IVC Counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

Transfer Resources:
- www.ASSIST.org – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine
- www.CSUMentor.org – CSU System Information
- www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html - UC System Information
- www.aiccu.edu – California Independent Colleges and Universities, Association of
- http://wiche.edu/wue - Western Undergraduate Exchange Programs

FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that IVC offers a full array of financial aid programs – grants, work study, scholarships, and fee waivers (we do not participate in the federal loan programs). These programs are available to both full and part time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information:
- www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/

Of the career opportunities identified many will usually require the completion of degree requirements at 4-year colleges and universities.

- Alcohol/Drug Studies Advisor
- Drug Abuse Counselor
- Health Education Instructor
- Community College Instructor
- Alcohol/Drug Studies Technician
- Outpatient Program Staff Member
- Marriage and Family Therapists

- Mental Health Counselor
- Psychologists
- Registered Nurses
- Social Workers
- Recovery Center Staff Member/Director
- Substance Abuse and Behavioral Counselors
- Teacher – All Levels
- Occupational Therapists
- Physicians/Surgeons
- Rehabilitation Counselors

Gainful Employment: Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at IVC. Please click on our Programs of Study link to view the information for each certificate program: http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/programs-of-study/
ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM
ALCOHOL AND DRUG STUDIES MAJOR – A.S. DEGREE
Thirty-six (36.0) units required for the major.

ALL COURSES FOR THIS MAJOR MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A MINIMUM GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

I. Required for the major (27.0 units)
   ADS 101 Alcoholism: Intervention, Treatment, and Recovery 3.0
   ADS 110 Physiological Effects of Alcohol and Drugs 3.0
   ADS/PSY 120 Introduction to Counseling 3.0
   ADS/PSY 130 Group Leadership and Group Process 3.0
   ADS 200 Family counseling Approaches to Alcohol and Drug Abuse 3.0
   ADS/PSY 210 Crisis Intervention and Referral Techniques 3.0
   ADS/PSY 220 Practicum 3.0
   ADS/PSY 221 Practicum 3.0
   ADS 230 Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Education 3.0

II. Minimum of nine (9.0) units selected from: 9.0
   ADS/SOC 150 Sociology of Minority Groups (3.0)
   ADS 176 Sex and Gambling Addiction (1.0)
   ADS 177 Anger Management (1.0)
   ADS 178 Life Skills (1.0)
   PSY 101 General Psychology (3.0)
   PSY 144 The Psychology of Interpersonal Relationships (3.0)
   PSY 204 Developmental Psychology: Conception to Death (3.0)
   PSY 208 Abnormal Psychology (3.0)
   SW 220 Introduction to Social Work (3.0)
   SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3.0)

Total Major Units: 36.0
IVC Graduation Requirements and GE Pattern: 24.0
Electives (as needed to reach 60 degree applicable units)
Total Maximum Units: 60.0

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM
ALCOHOL AND DRUG STUDIES CERTIFICATE
Thirty-six (36.0) units required for the certificate.

ALL COURSES FOR THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A MINIMUM GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

I. Required for the certificate (27.0 units)
   ADS 101 Alcoholism: Intervention, Treatment, and Recovery 3.0
   ADS 110 Physiological Effects of Alcohol and Drugs 3.0
   ADS/PSY 120 Introduction to Counseling 3.0
   ADS/PSY 130 Group Leadership and Group Process 3.0
   ADS 200 Family counseling Approaches to Alcohol and Drug Abuse 3.0
   ADS/PSY 210 Crisis Intervention and Referral Techniques 3.0
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   PSY 208 Abnormal Psychology (3.0)
   SW 220 Introduction to Social Work (3.0)
   SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3.0)

Total Certificate Units: 36.0
Total Maximum Units: 36.0