

# ALCOHOL AND DRUG STUDIES

## DEGREES, CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

Associate in Science Degree (A.S.)  
Certificate of Achievement

## 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.

## PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Demonstrate understanding of the physical and psychological disease of addiction.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of counseling theory used in addiction counseling.
3. Demonstrate critical thinking and skills to intervene with an addict and the codependent family.

## 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.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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/>

## TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill 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](http://www.ASSIST.org) – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine

[www.CSUMentor.edu](http://www.CSUMentor.edu) – CSU System Information

[www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html) - UC System Information

[www.aiccu.edu](http://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/](http://www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/)

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## 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	240	Ethics and Legal Standards in Alcohol Counseling	3.0

#### II. Minimum of nine (9.0) units selected from:

ADS/SOC	150	Sociology of Minority Groups (3.0)	9.0
ADS	176	Sex and Gambling Addiction (1.0)	
ADS	177	Anger Management (1.0)	
ADS	178	Life Skills (1.0)	
ADS	230	Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Education (3.0)	
PSY	101	Introduction to 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**

## 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
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**Total Certificate Units**

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