GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ADDICTIONS

Description and Outcomes
The Graduate Certificate in Addictions program is designed to provide you with the requisite knowledge to pursue employment and career advancement as an addiction professional. Courses focus on chemical and psychological dependency counseling, advanced addictions counseling, group counseling, psychopharmacology, and co-occurring disorders, with an emphasis on application.

Qualified credits earned in fulfillment of this certificate program may be transferable to certain Purdue Global degree programs.

Program Length
The Graduate Certificate in Addictions program consists of a minimum of 40 quarter credit hours. Upon successful completion of the program, you will be awarded a certificate.

Program Outcomes
Apply contemporary theories and information technologies to real-world situations, and engage in research in the focal area(s) of the science of psychology.

Analyze and apply theoretical and conceptual foundations of psychology to arrive at appropriate professional practice strategies. Evaluate ethical, legal, individual, and sociocultural implications of decisions within the field of psychology.

Program Availability
For program availability, please refer to the U.S. State and Other Approvals (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/accreditation-approvals-memberships/) section and Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf).

Policies
Progression Requirements
You may not transfer credits to the Graduate Certificate in Addictions program. All courses must be completed at the University.

If you are enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Addictions, you will take PS535 Addictions Practicum I and PS536 Addictions Practicum II. If you feel that you may not be able to complete the PS535 Addictions Practicum I prescribed requirements in 10 weeks, you must contact the Clinical Placement Team in order to receive an extension in the course. If an extension is granted, you will enroll in PS559 Practicum Field Placement Extension, which will allow you 10 extra weeks to complete the requirements of PS535 Addictions Practicum I. Enrollment in this course will only be granted at the discretion of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

If you enroll in the Graduate Certificate in Addictions program, you will have all course-level prerequisites waived.

You are responsible for participating in locating, selecting, and obtaining an agreement with an appropriate site that best fits your location preferences and meets program requirements. You are required to speak with the Clinical Placement Team to determine your exact responsibilities and process for site selection.

Certification, State Board, and National Board Exams
Certain state certification and licensure boards have specific educational requirements for programs to lead to a license or nongovernmental certification that is a precondition for employment in a recognized occupation.

Unless otherwise specified, Purdue Global's programs are not designed to meet any specific state's licensure or certification requirements. If certain licensed occupations, vocations, or professions are not explicitly listed, Purdue Global has not reviewed the licensure or certification requirements of those occupations, vocations, or professions, nor intended the program to meet such requirements. Licensure-track programs may limit enrollment to students in certain states; please see Purdue Global's Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf) to determine enrollment eligibility.

You are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. Such requirements may change during the course of your program. You are not automatically certified in any way upon program completion. Although certain programs are designed to prepare you to take various optional certification exams, Purdue Global cannot guarantee you will be eligible to take these exams or become certified. Your eligibility may depend on your work experience, completion of education and/or degree requirements, not having a criminal record, meeting other certification requirements, or the program or the University itself having appropriate accreditation or licensure.

The professional practice of psychology is regulated by each state, and the degree requirements in Purdue Global's Graduate Certificate in Addictions program do not guarantee or prepare you for state licensure in any state upon graduation.

The online Graduate Certificate in Addictions is accredited by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC). The NASAC can be contacted at:

44 Canal Center Plaza, Suite 301
Alexandria, VA 22314
Tel: 703.562.0211
Website: http://nasacaccreditation.org (http://www.nasacaccreditation.org)

The NAADAC (Association for Addiction Professionals) has designated Purdue Global as an Approved Education Provider for meeting nationally approved standards of education for the alcoholism and drug abuse counseling field. Students who complete the Graduate Certificate in Addictions will meet the coursework requirements to take the National Board of Certified Counselors’ Master Addictions Counselor (MAC) certification examination.
Note that additional requirements must also be completed to take the MAC examination, including degree, field experience, and licensure requirements. Refer to http://www.naadac.org/ncc-ap (http://www.naadac.org/ncc-ap/) for full eligibility requirements.

The NAADAC can be contacted at:

44 Canal Center Plaza, Suite 301
Alexandria, VA 22314
Tel: 703.741.7686
Website: http://naadac.org (http://www.naadac.org)

**Degree Plan**

The icon appears in the title of traditional courses that are also available as a set of module courses. Module course availability may be limited to certain academic calendars. See Course Types (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/approach-to-learning/) for information about module courses.

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