



ADVISING WORKSHEET: ADDICTIONS AND MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT

GENERAL NOTES

- A minimum of 123 credits are required for graduation.
- Credits earned for COM 100 and MAT 100 do not count toward the 123 credits required for graduation; however, COM 100 students may petition for elective credit.
- Where appropriate, courses required for the major can be used to satisfy General Education requirements. However, the number of credits earned for these courses are applied to either Gen Ed requirements or the major, not both.
- Paths of Knowledge coursework may count towards major or minor requirements, but may not fulfill a second Mid-Level Liberal Arts Exploration requirement.
- Students are expected to follow the catalog requirements for General Education, the major, and additional requirements.
- A minor or second major within the areas listed under Paths of Knowledge automatically fulfills that area of the Gen Ed requirements.

MAJOR NOTES

Addictions and Mental Health Treatment majors, as part of the requirements for AMH 404, 405, 406, and 407: Practicum Field Experience will be required to obtain a Child Abuse clearance, a PA Criminal Record Check, and an FBI clearance including fingerprinting. Any arrest and/or conviction may or may not prohibit students from participating in Practicums Field Experience.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All Addictions and Mental Health Treatment program courses are approved by the Pennsylvania Certification Board (PCB), which provides credentialing to substance abuse and other behavioral health professionals. Program coursework can be used to fulfill PCB education requirements for certification and recertification. PCB certified professionals in Pennsylvania have reciprocity with many certifying bodies throughout the United States and internationally. Students who plan to practice outside of Pennsylvania should contact the PCB for more information.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR MAJORS

The Bachelor of Art degree in Addictions and Mental Health Treatment was established to provide a solid core of knowledge and skills for individuals seeking positions in counseling, case management and administration in behavioral health and human services fields. With its practice-based concentration, as well as its connections to the related disciplines of psychology, social work, criminal justice, and healthcare science, a BA in Addictions and Mental Health Treatment is designed to provide the broad-based, professional competencies necessary to address the challenges presented by today's complex behavioral health and human services problems.

Addictions and mental health treatment is a growing field with an increasing need for qualified, professional employees. The Bureau of Labor Statistics has predicted that employment of substance abuse and mental health treatment professionals is projected to increase by over 30 percent between 2012 and 2022, a rate much higher than the average for all occupations. Graduates of Alvernia's Addictions and Mental Health Treatment program enjoy a very high employment placement rate, and members of the Career Services Office are available to offer job search advice and help you prepare for your job search.

Graduates with a BA in Addictions and Mental Health Treatment may find employment with an inpatient or outpatient rehabilitation center, a hospital, or an agency that serves children. They may work in a mental health facility, for a corporate employee-assistance program, or within the criminal justice system. They may work as a counselor, a case manager, a prevention specialist or a client advocate. The possibilities and opportunities are as broad as the field itself.

General Education (54-56 credits)

First Year Curriculum: Enduring Questions	Credits Required	Course	Term	Grade	Credits Earned
SEARCH Seminar-Enduring Questions or Honor Search-Enduring Questions	3	SRH 101 / HNR 160			
COM 101: Composition & Research <i>(Must earn a C or higher)</i>	3	COM 101			
THE 105: Foundations of Theology	3	THE 105			
PHI 105: Introduction to Philosophy	3	PHI 105			

Mid-Level Liberal Arts Exploration	Credits Required	Course	Term	Grade	Credits Earned
EXPLORING THE NATURAL WORLD (6-8 credits)					
Lab Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)	3-4				
Math (Other than MAT 100)	3-4				
INDIVIDUALS & COMMUNITIES (6 credits)					
History or Political Science	3				
PSY 101, HIS, POS, SOC, SSC, or ECON	3	MET in MAJOR			
CULTURE & LANGUAGE (9 credits)					
Communication <i>(Not COM 100 or 101)</i>	3				
World Language – 2 courses in sequence	3				
	3				
CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS (6 credits)					
Literature (ENG)	3				
Art, Music, or Theatre	3				

Ethical Leaders and Followers	Credits Required	Course	Term	Grade	Credits Earned
Theology or Philosophy (200-400 level)	3				
Theology or Philosophy (Ethics/Morality @ 200 level)	3				

Paths of Knowledge – Choose 1 Path		PoK may count towards minor or Related Requirements, but not Mid-Level Arts Exploration requirements.			
<p>_____ PATH 1:</p> <p>Interdisciplinary Study (IS) Three courses, at least two from Liberal Arts disciplines, not the major, at the 200-400 level from the interdisciplinary minors of Women & Gender Studies, Digital Media, Community & Environmental Sustainability, Community Engagement, Cultural Studies, Leadership Studies or Pre-Law.</p>	<p>_____ PATH 2:</p> <p>Multi-disciplinary Study (MS) Three courses, at least two from Liberal Arts disciplines, not the major, at the 200-400 level employing multiple disciplinary perspectives to explore the Enduring Questions in one of the following themes: Cultural & Global Studies, Imagination & Creativity, Peace & Conflict, Poverty & Wealth or Sustainability, Science & Technology.</p>	<p>_____ PATH 3:</p> <p>In-depth Disciplinary Study (DS) Three courses at the 200-400 level in one Liberal Arts discipline other than one's major, guided by common ideas and methods of inquiry. Students choose from Art, Biology, Chemistry, Communication, Computer Science, Economics, English, History, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Theology, Theatre or World Languages. This path may be used to give students a firm foundation in a discipline supporting their chosen major, or to pursue an interest in one of the Liberal Arts disciplines.</p>			
Course (See Catalog for lists of approved courses for each area.)		Area or Discipline	Term	Grade	Credits Earned

BA in ADDICTIONS AND MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT (54 credits)

A Grade of "C" or better is required for all Addictions and Mental Health Treatment Courses

REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES (24 CREDITS)				
Course	Pre-Requisites	Term	Grade	Credits
AMH 201: Foundation of Addictions				3
AMH 202: Origins of Mental Illness				3
AMH 204: Theories of Counseling & Psychotherapy (this course meets the writing enhanced requirement)				3
AMH 230: Assessment & Evaluation				3
AMH 303: Counseling Techniques I				3
AMH 305: Group Counseling I				3
AMH 310: Legal & Ethical Issues				3
AMH 330: Crisis Intervention	PSY 201 and AMH 201			3

REQUIRED FIELD EXPERIENCE (12 CREDITS/400 HOURS)				
Course	Pre-Requisite	Term	Grade	Credits
AMH 404: Practicum Field Experience 1 (100 hrs.)	24 credits in AMH courses			3
AMH 405: Practicum Field Experience 2 (100 hrs.)	24 credits in AMH courses			3
AMH 406: Practicum Field Experience 3 (100 hrs.)	24 credits in AMH courses			3
AMH 407: Practicum Field Experience 4 (100 hrs.)	24 credits in AMH courses			3

RELATED REQUIREMENTS (9 CREDITS)				
Course	Pre-Requisite	Term	Grade	Credits
PSY 101: Introductory Psychology				3
PSY 208: Human Development	PSY 101			3
PSY 215: Multicultural Issues in Psychology	PSY 101			3

MAJOR ELECTIVES (9 CREDITS): Students must complete three courses in any combination from AMH, CJ, PSY or SW (6 credits must be at 300-400 level)				
Course	Pre-Requisite	Term	Grade	Credits
				3
				3
				3

*** Please be advised to double check the 22-23 Course Catalog to ensure that you meet all prerequisite expectations for all required and related classes for this major.***

Eight Semester Plan BA Addictions and Mental Health Treatment Matriculation Year 2022-2023

Semester 1 (Fall)		Semester 2 (Spring)	
SRH 101: Search Sem-Enduring Questions or HNR 160: Honor Search-Enduring Questions	3	PSY 101: Introductory Psychology	3
COM 101: Composition & Research	3	THE 105 or PHI 105	3
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AMH 201: Foundations of Addictions	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
Gen Ed SEARCH (BIO 109 preferred)	3		
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15
Semester 3 (Fall)		Semester 4 (Spring)	
AMH 204: Theories of Counseling & Psychotherapy	3	AMH 202: Origins of Mental Illness	3
PSY 208: Developmental Psychology	3	AMH 230: Assessment & Evaluation	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3		
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15
Semester 5 (Fall)		Semester 6 (Spring)	
PSY 215: Multicultural Issues in Psychology	3	AMH 303: Counseling Techniques I	3
AMH 305: Group Counseling I	3	AMH 330: Crisis Intervention	3
AMH 310: Legal & Ethical Issues	3	MAJOR ELECTIVE	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Gen Ed SEARCH	3
Gen Ed SEARCH	3	Elective	3
		Elective	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	18
Semester 7 (Fall)		Semester 8 (Spring)	
AMH 404: Practicum Field Experience I	3	AMH 406: Practicum Field Experience 3	3
AMH 405: Practicum Field Experience 2	3	AMH 407: Final Field Practicum 4	3
MAJOR ELECTIVE	3	MAJOR ELECTIVE	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
TOTAL	15	TOTAL	15

ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS	GRADUATION CREDITS EARNED	
___ SRH 101/HNR 160: Search Seminar-Enduring Questions	___ Minimum of 123 non-remedial credits earned	Liberal Arts Core credits earned	
___ HUMAN DIVERSITY met with PSY 215	___ 45 of last 60 credits	Major and Related Area credits earned	
___ COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS	___ Minimum of 12 Alvernia credits in the major	Elective and/or Minor credits earned	
___ OVERALL GPA = 2.0 or higher	___ Minimum of 9 Alvernia credits in the minor (if applicable)	SUBTOTAL	
___ GPA IN MAJOR = 2.0 or higher		SUBTRACT CREDITS EARNED FOR MAT 100, and if applicable COM 100	
___ SENIOR CAPSTONE met with AMH 407		TOTAL GRADUATION CREDITS	
___ WRITING ENHANCED COURSE met w/ AMH 204			

Academic Policy on Eligibility for Participation of May Commencement Ceremony

The academic policy, which the Registrar follows, is: A student who has 6 or less credits remaining to complete the degree may participate in the May Commencement Ceremony.

Application Deadlines: August Graduation - December 1; December Graduation - March 1; May Graduation - October 1.
Any questions, please call the Registrar's Office.