

Alcohol And Other Drugs Studies

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE

The Alcohol and Other Drug Studies (AODS) major addresses a wide range of issues in the field of substance use and abuse through its degree and certificate course work. Students vary from recent high school graduates to working professionals with advanced college degrees. Students are able to apply and integrate their academic learning through required practicum experiences in various public and private agencies, institutions and businesses.

The AODS Program exceeds the minimal standards for AODS Programs established by the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. These standards were identified by State of California legislation as meeting the educational requirements for counselor certification. Degree and certificate completers qualify to apply for certification through a variety of state-approved certification boards. Completion of the Associate of Science degree will assist students in obtaining entry-level employment, job promotion/salary increases or transfer to a four-year college or university. (Note: Transfer credit may be limited by California State campuses. Please consult your Mendocino College counselor or Transfer Center for more information).

Special Note:

The Associate of Science degree in Alcohol and Other Drugs Studies signifies readiness for working as an entry-level substance abuse counselor, NOT as a "Licensed Addiction Therapist." This title is typically used to denote an individual with a Masters or Doctoral degree with a specialization in Addiction Studies.

Required Courses - Major:

		Units
AOD 151	Alcohol and Drugs: Overview	3
AOD/HUS 152	Basic Skills for Human Service Workers	3
AOD 153	Physiological Effects of AOD	3
AOD/HUS 154	Fundamentals of Interviewing & Counseling	3
AOD/HUS 155	Group Leadership and Group Process	3
AOD/HUS 156	Case Management and Documentation	3
AOD/HUS 157	Dual Disorders and Mental Health Issues	2
AOD 158	AOD Practicum Preparation	1.5
AOD/HUS 159	Intervention Theory and Techniques	1.5
AOD/HUS 160	Law, Ethics and Human Services	3
AOD/HUS 161	Family Counseling Approaches	3
AOD/HUS 162	Community Prevention Theory & Practice	3
AOD/HUS 163	Professional Competency & Growth	2
AOD 164	Field Placement Seminar I	1.5
AOD 165	Field Placement Seminar II	1.5

Total Major units **37**
Total Degree units **60**

Addendum to Alcohol and Other Drugs Studies

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Addendum adds AOD 196 as a required course.

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AOD 151	Alcohol and Drugs: Overview	3
AOD/HUS 152	Basic Skills for Human Service Workers	3
AOD 153	Physiological Effects of AOD	3
AOD/HUS 154	Fundamentals of Interviewing & Counseling	3
AOD/HUS 155	Group Leadership and Group Process	3
AOD/HUS 156	Case Management and Documentation	3
AOD/HUS 157	Dual Disorders and Mental Health Issues	2
AOD 158	AOD Practicum Preparation	1.5
AOD/HUS 159	Intervention Theory and Techniques	1.5
AOD/HUS 160	Law, Ethics and Human Services	3
AOD/HUS 161	Family Counseling Approaches	3
AOD/HUS 162	Community Prevention Theory & Practice	3
AOD/HUS 163	Professional Competency & Growth	2
AOD 164	Field Placement Seminar I	1.5
AOD 165	Field Placement Seminar II	1.5
AOD 196	Cooperative Work Experience	4

Total Major units **41**
Total Degree units **60**