## **ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS STUDIES ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE**

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. As with all programs, students who intend to transfer to a four-year institution should research the transfer institution's requirements and plan to complete the CSU GE Breadth pattern or IGETC GE pattern.

Required Courses - Major:		Units
AOD 151	Alcohol and Other Drugs: Overview	3
AOD 153	Physiology and Pharmacology of Alcohol and Other Drugs	3
AOD 158	AOD Practicum Preparation	1.5
AOD 164	Field Placement and Practicum Seminar I	1.5
AOD 165	Field Placement and Practicum Seminar II	1.5
AOD 197A	Alcohol and Other Drug Studies Program Practicum	4
HUS 152	Basic Skills for Human Service Workers	3
HUS 154	Fundamentals of Interviewing and Counseling	3
HUS 155	Group Leadership and Group Process	3
HUS 156	Case Management and Documentation	3
HUS 157	Co-Occurring Disorders and Mental Health Issues	2
HUS 159	Intervention Theory and Techniques	2
HUS 160	Law, Ethics and Human Services	2
HUS 161	Introduction to Family Counseling Approaches	3
HUS 162	Community Prevention Theory and Practice	3
HUS 163	Professional Competency and Growth	2
Total Major Units		40.5
Total Degree Units		60

## Program Level Student Learning Outcomes:

- **1.** Access, interpret, evaluate and synthesize information using multiple resources, including current information technology.
- 2. Analyze, understand and evaluate diverse ideas, beliefs and behaviors.
- **3.** Understand and demonstrate the core addiction counseling competencies as outlined in the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services/SAMHSA Technical Assistance Publication #21.
- 4. Demonstrate responsibility for their actions and work effectively as individuals and as members of a team.