

HOW TO BECOME AN ADDICTION COUNSELOR IN NEW MEXICO

4 Easy Ways to Register

Phone

505-277-0077, Option 1
M-F, 8am-5pm

Mail

UNM Continuing Education
Attn: Registration
MSC07 4030
1 University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM 87131-0001

Fax

505-277-1990
Fax/Mail instructions
see website.

In Person

M-F, 8am-5pm
UNM Continuing Education
1634 University Blvd. NE
(just north of Indian School)

Ready to become licensed (LADAC) or certified in New Mexico or just needing to know how to get moving in that direction? Get accurate and clear information as you enter the rewarding field of counseling.

Fall Session
Winter/Spring Session

Oct 14, 2017
Feb 17, 2018

FREE Session

No approval needed

RSVP to Program Supervisor - CEHealth@unm.edu

You will also learn the complete process to be licensed in New Mexico as well as how Certification (CADAC) is helpful to counselors. Determine what meets the NM Counseling and Therapy Practice Board education hours in alcohol, drug abuse and addition counseling from your transcripts (post-secondary degree programs, your SASTP transcript, approved workshops, conferences, and in-service trainings). Leave with a plan from this informative session.

UNM Continuing Education provides NAACAC approved training.

The growing need to get an individual plan of action is evident from those attending our previous How to Become an Addiction Counselor in New Mexico sessions. Giving you time to talk with those who can help you in making decisions is our goal in opening Office Hours. You will have a 15 minute individual meeting with a Substance Abuse Studies instructor or other knowledgeable advisor to do a "Quick Glance" transcript review. If the recommendations are for further courses at the undergraduate or graduate level, you will need to contact that institution for additional advisement and admissions.

After you have researched the options to meet your goals, you may be ready to take our weekend courses in addition to any other courses or training you choose to pursue. <http://ce.unm.edu/sas>. Select courses in the series are available for 1 credit hour of NM Psychology 250 with application and additional fee.

This is the link to the NMCTPB rules and law section for the LSAA. <http://164.64.110.239/nmac/parts/title16/16.027.0013.htm>

OFFICE HOURS

By appointment - 15 minute openings - offered monthly.
See calendar on our website <http://cc.unm.edu/sas>

1. Please bring your transcripts (unofficial or official) for your meeting.
2. Download the Checklist for Advisement and fill out information you can supply. Bring this form with you.
3. For your convenience, a staggered schedule has been created so that people can be assisted in a timely manner. It will be important to arrive on time or slightly early.
4. It may be helpful to make a written list of question you may have prior to coming to Office Hours.

DATES

Saturdays 2017	Saturdays 2018
Jun 17	Jan 13
Aug 5	Feb 17
Sep 16	Mar 17
Oct 14	Apr 14
Nov 11	May 19

For more information: Visit our website at ce.unm.edu.
Questions: Contact Program Supervisor at cehealth@unm.edu

Tuition Remission Benefit:

UNM employees may use tuition remission for most UNM Continuing Education non-credit classes. Visit ce.unm.edu/TR for more details.



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Ready to start classes? Here is your guide to program approval.

Step 1: Please go online to <http://newmexico.augusoft.net> to create your profile. You may also call (505) 277-0077 ext.1 to set up your profile.

Step 2: Send by fax or email your counseling license or a copy of your degree transcripts or diploma to Loree Nalin at (505) 277-8975 or email at LNalin@unm.edu. For New Mexico Licensure, the NM Counseling and Therapy Practice Board requires a degree in counseling or a counseling related field. Please check their website for the list of accepted degrees. http://rld.state.nm.us/boards/Counseling_and_Therapy_Practice.aspx

Step 3: Email your responses to these questions. Loree will be able to approve you for enrolling in the Substance Abuse Studies Program once all these steps are complete. You should expect a follow up email from her welcoming you to the SASTP program. The questions are --

1. What are your professional goal(s) for the program?
2. How have your background, education, work, culture, and life experience led you to the field of addictions counseling?
3. What do you anticipate to be your greatest challenge in this program?

Once you are notified of your approval for this program, you may register for series classes by phone (505) 277-0077 ext. 1.

*Important: Our program does not guarantee licensure. Refer to the license board for additional requirements.

UNM Staff, Faculty & Retirees:

Use your Tuition Remission:

Fees for up to 3 credit hours per calendar year may be applied to Health & Fitness and Personal Enrichment courses.

Questions about this benefit? Visit us online at <http://ce.unm.edu/TR> or call the benefits office at 505-277-MyHR.

To register, send completed forms for registration & tuition remission to ceregistration@unm.edu or come by our registration office, located at 1634 University Blvd. NE (just north of Indian School).

Quick Facts: Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors

2016 Median Pay	\$41,070 per year \$19.75 per hour
Typical Entry-Level Education	Associate's degree with Master's degree preferred
Work Experience in a Related Occupation	Must have license; first level is the Licensed Substance Abuse Associate (LSAA)
On-the-job Training	Under supervision as an LSAA
Number of Jobs Nationally, 2014	94,900
NM Job Outlook, 2014-24	Growing 16% (Much faster than average)
NM Mental Health & SUD Counselors employment gains	2014-440 Counselors 2024-640 Counselors projected; 16% increase

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