

Basics in Addiction Counseling (BAC) Concentration

45 credit hours in Psychology

24 credit hours MUST be taken at UNM to satisfy the residency requirement

Core Courses: (12 credit hours)

Sem Taken	Course #	Course Title	Hrs	Grade Earned	UD ✓	Transfer Inst.
	PSY 105	Introduction to Psychology	3hrs			
	PSY 200	Statistical Principles	3hrs			
	PSY 240	Brain & Behavior	3hrs			
	PSY 302	Psychological Research Techniques	3hrs		✓	

Choose three (3) from the following 200 level psychology courses: (9 credit hours)

Sem Taken	Course #	Course Title	Hrs	Grade Earned	UD ✓	Transfer Inst.
	PSY 220	Developmental Psychology	3hrs			
	PSY 260	Learning & Memory	3hrs			
	PSY 265	Cognitive Psychology	3hrs			
	PSY 271	Social Psychology	3hrs			
	PSY 280	Health Psychology	3hrs			

Five (5) required 300/400 level upper division psychology electives. (15 credit hours).

Sem Taken	Course #	Course Title	Hrs	Grade Earned	UD ✓	Transfer Inst.
	PSY 332	Abnormal Behavior	3hrs		✓	
	PSY 347	Drugs & Behavior	3hrs		✓	
	PSY 430	Alcoholism	3hrs		✓	
	PSY 411	Treatment of Addictions	3hrs		✓	
	PSY 335	Clinical Psychology	3hrs		✓	

Choose one (1) required psychology lab from the following (2 credit hours) or a pre-approved lab**

Sem Taken	Course #	Course Title	Hrs	Grade Earned	UD ✓	Transfer Inst.
	PSY 335L	Clinical Psychology Lab	2hrs		✓	
	PSY 480L	Health Psychology Lab	2hrs		✓	

Additional Requirements for BAC Concentration

Sem Taken	Course #	Course Title	Hrs	Grade Earned	UD ✓	Transfer Inst.
	PSY 313	Case Management in Addictions	1hr		✓	
	PSY 412	Applied Clinical Experience in Addictions Counseling	6hrs		✓	

UD= Upper Division Course 300 or 400 level course.

* Please note that Lobotrax will reflect the requirement of PSY 311 and PSY 312 as they are covered by PSY 335.

** There are alternative options to taking one of these courses. Other upper-level psychology labs may also satisfy the requirement or working in a psychology professor's research lab as part of a PSY 499 experience may count. These options must be approved in advance by a BAC Advisory Committee Member.

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The Basics in Addiction Counseling (BAC) Concentration is designed for a select group of undergraduate psychology majors who are interested in a career in the alcohol/drug counseling field. In addition to the standard psychology major requirements, the BAC Concentration involves a series of specialized addiction courses, as well as a multi-semester field placement at a substance abuse agency. Students admitted to the BAC concentration will have completed all coursework requirements to become a Licensed Substance Abuse Associate (LSAA) and Licensed Alcohol/Drug Abuse Counselor (LADAC).

To complete the BAC Concentration, students must complete 45 hours in psychology. In addition, students must earn a grade of “C” or better (grades of C- are not accepted) in all psychology courses. 24 credits MUST be taken at UNM to satisfy the residency requirement. Major requirements are only one portion of your undergraduate degree. Meet with an Undergraduate Program Advisor located in the Department to discuss the University and College level requirements in addition to the major. To earn the BA or BS Degree in Psychology students *must declare a minor*. To earn the BA degree students must select a minor from *the approved College of Arts and Sciences minor list*. To earn the BS degree students *must declare a minor from the following: **Evolutionary Anthropology; Biology; Chemistry; Computer Science; Mathematics; Physics; or Statistics.*** Meet with your Minor Department’s Departmental Advisor to review your minor requirements.

BAC Concentration Admission Requirements

All applicants are required to be Psychology Majors and meet the following requirements:

- Are enrolled in the equivalent of the 4th semester of full-time coursework toward a college degree.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or a Psychology GPA of 3.5.
- Are committed to a career in the alcohol/drug counseling field.
- Have interpersonal skills appropriate for a counseling career.
- Have the ability to meet the program standards. (*with or without reasonable accommodation*)
- Have read and acknowledged understanding of the New Mexico Counseling and Therapy Practice Board standards for licensure.

Procedures to Apply

Interested applicants will provide:

- Letter of interest
- Current resume (work, volunteer & academic experience)
- At least two letters of recommendation (*must address the qualifications, character, and motivation of the applicant. These letters may come from employers, professors, or supervisors; these are not personal references*)
- College transcripts
- Completed BAC Application

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See the psychology website each semester for advisement hours http://psych.unm.edu/under_advisement.html

Please Note: You, the student, must take FULL RESPONSIBILITY for meeting all graduation requirements for your degree!