**Program Description**
The Certificate in Addiction Studies program is designed for individuals who possess a master’s degree in counseling, psychology or social work and wish to further specialize in the study of addictions. A 300-hour internship is required for the program, generally requires three years to complete.

Individuals completing this program are eligible for certification as an addictions counselor within the State of Michigan (CAAC). The 18-credit-hour program generally requires 1 year to complete.

**Admission Requirements**
A master’s degree in a helping profession or related discipline;
Program application accompanied by a statement of personal career goals;
One letter of recommendation attesting to the applicant’s qualifications; and
An interview with the program director or designated faculty member.

**Apply online at udmercy.edu/apply**

Send all materials to:
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**Curriculum: 18 credit hours**
The curriculum has three components:
1. A core of three required courses, totaling nine credit hours.
   - ADS 5090 Drugs and Behavior
   - ADS 5110 Theories of Addiction
   - ADS 5120 Recovery Processes

2. An elective component of two courses totaling six hours carefully chosen to meet the student's professional needs from among the following courses:
   - ADS 5170 Substance Use Disorders in Youth
   - ADS 5210 Process Disorders: Gambling and Sexual Addiction
   - ADS 5360 Family Theory and Therapy
   - ADS 5600 Spirituality and Recovery
   - ADS 5950 Multicultural Competence in Treating Substance-Related-Disorders

3. An applied component of three credit hours to be completed as a field placement of 300 hours or as a culminating seminar.
   - ADS 5880 Internship in Addiction Studies
   - OR ADS 5710 Culminating Seminar in Addiction Studies

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