**ADDICTION STUDIES**

**Program Description**
This certificate program will provide students with the knowledge and skills that are in high demand in all aspects of the behavioral health field. Students receiving this certificate will be provided with the latest evidence-based practices, research studies and best practices in the field of addictions. This certificate is offered to meet educational requirements that are needed for the Certified Addiction Counselor (CAC) II training as outlined by the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS), Office of Behavioral Health (OBH). These courses seek to enhance the student’s counseling abilities, knowledge and competencies in becoming an addictions professional. By completing the educational requirements of this certificate, students are eligible to take the National Association for Addictions Professionals (NAADAC) NCAC I or NCAC II exam for CAC II certification as required in Colorado. All required classes seek to enhance the student’s ability to offer addiction treatment services in a manner that respects gender, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, cultural, familial, systemic and socioeconomic diversity.

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