

GUIDED PATHWAY: MENTAL HEALTH/ SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION CERTIFICATE

LAW and PUBLIC SERVICE CAREER PATH



For more information, visit the [Dallas College Substance Abuse Counseling webpage](http://www.dcccd.edu/SubAbuseCounseling) [www.dcccd.edu/SubAbuseCounseling] and your academic advisor at the Eastfield Campus.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing the Substance Abuse Counseling – Mental Health/Substance Abuse Prevention Certificate. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Prevention Level I Certificate. Courses from this certificate may apply to the related A.A.S. degree. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

The Mental Health/Substance Abuse Prevention Certificate is designed to provide cross-training for helping professionals in the faith-based communities and the social services agencies. Completers of the 18 hours will be granted the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Prevention Certificate focusing on Co-Occurring Disorders. Courses that complete the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Prevention Certificate are noted below.

Students pursuing this certificate are waived from the [Texas Success Initiative \(TSI\)](#) standards, but must meet course prerequisites, as long as the student completes the TSI waiver form prior to enrollment.

Catalog Year	2020-2021	You may use this pathway if you entered Dallas College on or before this date.
Degree Type	Level I Certificate	
GPA Requirement	Student must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher	
TSI	May be Exempt	

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

CERTIFICATE MINIMUM: 18 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

SEMESTER 1

Total Hours: 9

[DAAC 1304](#) – Pharmacology of Addiction
[DAAC 1391](#) – Special Topics in Alcohol/Drug Abuse Counseling
[DAAC 2307](#) – Addicted Family Intervention

SEMESTER 1 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to confirm academic and career goals before the end of the semester.
2. Meet with a career advisor or coach to research career options and opportunities for job shadowing.

SEMESTER 2

Total Hours: 9

[SCWK 2301](#) – Assessment and Case Management
[SCWK 2305](#) – Special Problems of Youth
[SCWK 2331](#) – Abnormal Behavior

SEMESTER 2 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with an advisor to request an official program of study audit and confirm or update your academic/career path and program of study.
2. After reviewing your Certificate plan and program of study, meet with your advisor to apply for the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Prevention Certificate.

PATHWAY TOTAL: 18 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS