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Purpose: The Substance Misuse and Addiction Minor is designed to provide students from a wide range of majors with an understanding of theories of addiction, assessment and diagnosis of addiction, intervention and prevention strategies with addicted populations, and legal and ethical issues associated with addiction. Students will have the opportunity to apply their educational credits toward the requirements for practice as licensed chemical dependency counselors through the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board. This minor would be valuable for students majoring in human development and family sciences, criminology, education, pharmacy, psychology, public health, sociology, and social work, among others.

The minor consists of 12 – 15 credit hours. Students must ensure that their chosen courses total a minimum of 12 credit hours. At least 6 hours must be at the 3000-level and above. Some courses in this minor have pre-requisites. Please consult the course bulletin before enrolling in classes.

Required Core Course [3 credit hours]
SOCWORK 3805: Theories and Biological Basis of Addiction (3) or SOCWORK 5805: Theories and Biological Basis of Substance Misuse (3)

Select three of these courses [7-9 credit hours]
FST 4597.01: Alcohol and Society (3)
KNSHP 3312: Issues in Alcohol/Drug Use and Abuse (2)
PHR 2400: Addicting Drugs: Effects, Introductory Neurobiology, and Regulation (2)
PHR 5590: Chemical Dependency and the Healthcare Professional (3)
SOCIOl 4506: Drugs and Society (3)
SOCWORK 3806: Substance Use Screening, Assessment, Diagnosis, and Treatment Planning (3)
SOCWORK 3807: Intervention and Prevention Strategies in Substance Use (3)
SOCWORK 3808 or SOCWORK 5808: Group and Relationship Approaches in Substance Misuse Treatment (3)
SOCWORK 5806: Diagnosis and Treatment of Substance Use Disorders (3)
SOCWORK 5807: Preventing Substance Misuse (3)
WGSST 2326 or 23265: Feminist Perspectives on Addiction (3)

Select one of these courses [1-3 credit hours]
HDFS 4370: Families in Stress (3)
PHR 2010: Pharmacology: How Drugs Work (3)
PHR 2367: Drug Use in American Culture (3)
PHR 3420: Generation RX: America’s Drug-Taking Culture (3)
PHR 5460: Current Addiction Neurobiology Literature (1)
PBHHBP 3510: Role of Behavior in Public Health (3)
SOCIOl 2202: Social Problems and Public Policy (3)
SOCIOl 2210: Sociological Aspects of Deviance (3)

SOCWORK 5021: Summer Inst. of Addiction Studies (1)
WGSST 2325: Health and Inequality (3)

Substance Misuse and Addiction Minor program guidelines:

Required for graduation: No

Credit hours required: A minimum of 12 credit hours. 1000 level courses will not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hrs must be at the 3000 level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed: A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE: A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s):
- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required:
- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.0 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits: No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor Approval: The minor may be approved by the student’s College/School Advising Office via the Degree Audit Report (DAR). If the minor is not complete on the DAR, the student must consult with a College of Social Work advisor.

Filing the minor program form: The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school advisor.

Changing the minor: Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.