

CASAC MINOR

The CASAC (Credentialed Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counselor) minor in alcohol and substance abuse counseling is a great way to enhance a degree for students interested in working in the Human Service field. Substance abuse counseling education offers students the opportunity to gain knowledge about substance abuse, addiction, and treatment. The Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC) is an important professional in the addiction field. A minor in addiction can be a great complement if students are planning to study social work, criminal justice, or psychology. With the CASAC minor, students will be qualified to begin paid work experience required by New York State for full credentialing as a CASAC.

Certification and Credentials

Satisfactory completion of the program will provide you with the opportunity to receive your CASAC-T certificate from the NYS Office of Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Services (OASAS). For more information: NYS OASAS (<https://oasas.ny.gov/credentialing/alcoholism-and-substance-abuse-counselor-casac/>)

The CASAC minor is offered to current BS Human Services degree majors and requires the successful completion of 30 credits (12 credits required in the BS degree program plus an additional 18 credits to complete the minor). The courses required to complete the additional 18 credits are as follows:

Code	Title	Credits
HS-111	The Science of Addiction: Drug Use and Abuse	3
HS-122	Overview of Substance Abuse and Chemical Dependency	3
HS-123	Substance Abuse Assessment and Treatment Planning	3
HS-224	Addiction Counseling - the Individual	3
HS-225	Addiction Counseling - the Family and Groups	3
LA-305	Introduction to Case Management	3
Total Credits		18

¹ These courses are offered only for the CASAC minor or certification; these courses are not offered as electives for the Human Services degree program.