

# Information sheet for Certified Addiction Counselor I and II



## Program Description

Pueblo Community College (PCC) offers the addiction training coursework as required for the Certified Addiction Counselor (CAC) Clinical Training Program through the Office of Behavioral Health (OBH), Colorado Department of Human Services. The coursework provided is designed to train aspiring addiction counselors to work in the addiction profession to include areas of prevention, treatment and recovery. Please refer to OBH website for additional information on becoming a CAC I or CAC II in CO, and learn about the 1000 required supervised hours for CAC I, and 2000 required supervised hours for CAC II: **Please note there are changes to CAC training programs and requirements on April 1, 2021. The new guidelines can be found on the OBH website.**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdhs/behavioral-health-workforce-development>

To be counted toward the requirements for the CAC I or CAC II, all course work must be submitted to the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) within 5 years.

[https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Addiction\\_Counselor\\_Applications](https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Addiction_Counselor_Applications)

Semester/Total Credits	Course	CAC I classes	Credits
8	CSL 268	Addiction Counseling Skills	1.5
	CSL 260	Client Record Management	1
	CSL 269	Principles of Addiction	1.5
	CSL 245	Professional Ethics	1
	CSL 265	Culturally Informed Treatment	1
	CSL 255	Infectious Disease	1
	CSL 251	Pharmacology I	1

Semester/Total Credits	Course	CAC II classes	Credits
9	CSL 257	Professional Ethics II	1
	CSL 250	Motivational Interviewing	1.5
	CSL 253	Cognitive Behavioral Therapy	1
	CSL 258	Group Counseling Skills	1.5
	CSL 254	Trauma Informed Care	1
	CSL 252	Pharmacology II	1
	CSL 248	Assess PBS\Psychoactive Drug	1
	CSL 256	Co-Occurring Disorders	1

**Total Credits – CAC I: 8 credits. CAC II: 9 credits**

**Students are responsible to ensure prerequisites are done before enrolling in any course.**