

# UNION COLLEGE

## Department of Psychology

Student Curriculum Contract

### Master of Science in Substance Abuse Counseling

#### MSSA

ONLINE GRADUATE PROGRAM 60 Hours

Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

The following 60 hours are required of all candidates

**NOTE: All courses are 3 hours unless otherwise marked.**

#### Foundation Courses – 25 hours

- \_\_\_ GRST 501 Introduction to Psychology Graduate Studies **1 hour**
- \_\_\_ PSYH 502 Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy
- \_\_\_ PSYH 503 Techniques of counseling & Psychotherapy
- \_\_\_ PSYH 511 Advanced Developmental Psych
- \_\_\_ PSYH 515 Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods
- \_\_\_ PSYH 575 Advanced Behavioral Neuroscience
- \_\_\_ PSYH 592 Social & Community Psychology
- \_\_\_ PSYH 665 Diagnosing & Treatment Planning

#### Substance Abuse Core – 26 hours

- \_\_\_ PSYH 505 Found. of Chem. Dep. Treatment I **4 hours**
- \_\_\_ PSYH 506 Found. of Chem. Dep. Treatment II **4 hours**
- \_\_\_ PSYH 510 Psychology of Addiction
- \_\_\_ PSYH 513 Recovery and Relapse
- \_\_\_ PSYH 524 Biological Systems of Chem. Dep
- \_\_\_ PSYH 655 Multicultural & Diversity Issues
- \_\_\_ PSYH 688 and/or
- \_\_\_ PSYH 690 Practicum Internship **6 hours**

#### Electives: Select 9 hours from the following courses: 3 hours each

- \_\_\_ PSYH 512 Statistics for Mental Health Professionals
- \_\_\_ PSYH 560 Personality Theories
- \_\_\_ PSYH 590 Advanced Forensic Psychology
- \_\_\_ PSYH 605 Health Psychology
- \_\_\_ COUN 625 Theories of Career Counseling & Development
- \_\_\_ PSYH 630 Family Systems Theory
- \_\_\_ PSYH 660 Ethics & Professional Practice
- \_\_\_ PSYH 680 Integrated Report Writing

#### Admission requirements

Admissions Application  
Minimum 2.5 undergrad GPA  
Acceptable score on GRE  
GRE WAIVED –if CDCC was  
Earned at Union College previously

#### Chemical Dependency Certification Program

Application for CDCC  
21 Hours (min. of 14 earned at Union College)  
21 hours will count toward MSSA if taken

#### Completion of Master of Science in Substance Abuse Counseling

Minimum 3.0 in all gradwork  
Successfully Pass COMP exam  
Application for graduation: MSSA  
and application for graduation for the  
CDCC certificate.

NOTE: With this program, student will earn the MSSA Master's Degree as well as the CDCC certificate.

#### Kentucky State Board Certification/Licensure Requirements

The applicant must be at least 18 years of age, and must be able to document the following:

- Baccalaureate (sufficient for state certification as a substance abuse counselor) or Master's degree (State licensure requires 60 hour Master's program)
- Board-approved experience working with alcohol or drug dependent persons (300 hours of which have been under the direct supervision of a licensed or board approved certified alcohol and drug counselor who has at least 2 years of post-certification experience)
  - 6000 hours at the Baccalaureate level
  - 2000 hours at the Masters level
- 270 classroom hours of board-approved curriculum (satisfied by Union College 21 credit hour program)
- \* Six hours of ethics training and 2 hours of training in the transmission, control, treatment and prevention of HIV (Satisfied by board approved workshops, face to face for ethics training).
- Passing score on written exam approved by the International Certification Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
- Signed agreement to abide by the standards of practice and code of ethics.
- The above are the KY requirements. Please check with the licensing or certifying board in your state for requirements.

All current state certification information may found at <http://adc.ky.gov>

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_