



Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies with Program Option

CAGS in Mental Health Counseling

36 credits: Core program — LMHC, LMFT, DESE

43 credits: Addiction Counseling — CADAC, LADC

The CAGS in Mental Health Counseling is an advanced, post-master's certificate program. Students will increase their expertise, add a new credential and area of competency, or upgrade their credentials in order to meet requirements for licensure.

A Flexible, Individualized Program — Each student meets with an advisor to plan an individualized academic program and establish a learning contract. Students meet periodically with their advisor to review educational and career goals. Course choices must be considered carefully in consultation with the program coordinator.

Professional Seminar & Research credits

CCA801	Professional Seminar I: Foundations of Social Science Research	3
CCA802	Professional Seminar II: Research Project	3
CCA804	Advanced Research Project — taken with CCA802	3

Internship

Includes field experience under a qualified supervisor, conforming to Massachusetts regulations 262 CMR. See program handbook. May be individually designed to support licensure requirements. See also M.Ed. program charts.

Addictions option: Must include 300 hours in an approved substance abuse treatment program with appropriate supervision in the 12 core functions.

CCA820	Counseling Internship Seminar	3
CCA821	Advanced Internship Seminar	3

(If a third term is needed, CCA823, Counseling Internship Seminar III, may be taken as an elective.)

Course Work

CAGS-level, 3-credit courses must be chosen with approval of faculty advisor/professional seminar leader.

- Core program 21
- Trauma or Addictions option 18

To meet licensure requirements, please refer to M.Ed. program charts and take CAGS-level courses with the same title. If you have taken any of the courses at master's level, repetition *may* not be necessary.

PROGRAM OPTION..... 10 credits

Core program modified as noted above, **and** choose Addictions block below:

Addictions — Certified Alcohol & Drug Abuse Counselor or Licensed Alcohol & Drug Counselor (CADAC/LADC).

CCA(new)	Ethics & Boundaries in Substance Abuse Counseling	1
CCA768	Addiction Disorders	3
CCA756	Substance Abuse in the Family	3
CCA720	Psychopharmacology in Addictions & Mental Health Counseling	3

Cambridge College strives to cover the academic requirements for the following credentials, for which graduates may apply:

- LMHC licensure by the Mass. Board of Registration of Allied Mental Health Professionals. Candidates must also pass an exam and complete two years of post-master's supervised clinical practice.
- CADAC certification by MBSACC and LADC licensing by the Mass. Dept. of Public Health.

Regulations may change at any time. Cambridge College reserves the right to alter the program accordingly. Program coordinators are available to advise students.

Students are responsible for monitoring and understanding state requirements and regulations, and for ensuring that their program of study complies with all requirements for licensure/certification.

Admission requirements: Master's degree in counseling or closely related field, interview with program coordinator, and other general requirements; see Admission.

