

INTERN COUNSELOR

Education

186 hours of education/training specific to the domains. Six hours must in Ethics to include specifics relating to alcohol & drug counseling and six hours must be specific to HIV/AIDS training (MAAP Ethics class is mandatory for those applying for any of the MAAP Addiction Credentials).

Code of Ethics

Applicants must sign a code of ethics statement to include specifics relating to alcohol & drug counseling.

Renewal

20 hours of continuing education/training earned every three years, which must include topics relating to the IC&RC ADC domains, and must include 2 hours in Ethics to include specifics relating to alcohol and drug counseling and 2 hours in HIV/AIDS training.



Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training (“MACT”)

2015 - 2016 Course Schedule



Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals

“Bringing All The Pieces Together”



**“OFFERING A PROVEN MODEL FOR
ADDICTIONS TRAINING IN USE
SINCE 1974”**

Welcome to MACT

Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals (MAAP) is pleased to offer an outstanding training program that will assist addiction counselors and allied health professionals acquire and develop effective skills to work with individuals and families affected by addiction. The Addiction Counselor Training (ACT) Model for training addiction counselors was developed in Texas in 1974 and has been implemented throughout Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Hawaii, and California. Its founder, Vic Shaw, established the ACT here in Mississippi in the late 1990s.

The ACT has a proven track record of providing over three decades of quality counselor education across the nation. Several thousand individuals have benefited from these courses to improve and upgrade their skills. As we work to improve the credentialing standards here in Mississippi, it is imperative that we upgrade our skills as addiction counselors. We are committed to providing this training at a reasonable cost and to making the training accessible for interested individuals.



*Vic Shaw
ACT Founder*

Thank you for your interest in the Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training (MACT) Program and for your desire to improve your abilities and skills to help facilitate your work with addiction sufferers. We hope that you will join us for this professional training program. If you have questions, you may contact the MAAP office by calling 601-321-2085 or emailing info@msaap.net. For additional information on training or to find out about our areas of certification click on our website at www.msaap.net.

Purpose

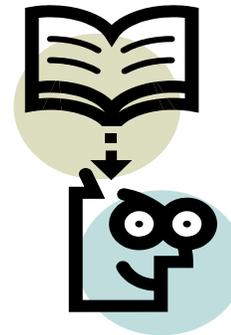
The Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training (MACT) Program exists to help behavioral health students and professionals improve their skills to better serve persons addicted to harmful chemicals. All course work is structured in a manner to encourage both personal growth and professional development.

The program is designed for both experienced counselors looking to upgrade their skills, intern counselors working toward a credential, and individuals who are seeking employment in the addiction counseling profession. All training is provided in a safe learning environment conducive to personal and professional training and growth.

Additional Courses

Ethical Issues in Addiction Counseling (January & June)

Goal: To acquaint students with the MAAP official Code of Ethics and to explore and discuss essential ethical issues in providing professional addictions counseling to clients. Provides 6 contact hours of instruction.

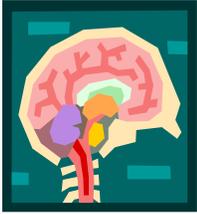


We are in the process of adding additional elective classes that will count toward the 270 hours required for certification. Including a "Ready to Test" class, "12 Steps", Individual Therapy, and Group Therapy.



MACT Students and Instructor Rod Farrar

Core Courses



Addiction Pharmacology (Dec, Jan, Feb)

Goal: To familiarize the student with the basic pharmacological properties, effects, and consequences of alcohol and drug abuse in our society. Provides 45 contact hours of instruction.



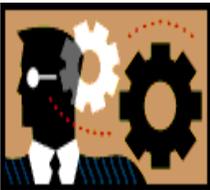
Counseling Theories (Mar, Apr, May)

Goal: To introduce students to various historical models of counseling addicted clients and to explore the relationship to other models of counseling. Provides 45 contact hours of instruction.



Counseling Skills (Jun, Jul, Aug)

Goal: To develop the student's skills in basic addiction counseling techniques and theory application. Provides 45 contact hours of instruction.



Counseling Process (Sept, Oct, Nov)

Goal: To acquaint the student with the theoretical and practical aspects of the addiction counseling process. Provides 45 contact hours of instruction.

DID YOU KNOW ... that after completing the four Core Courses, students will have earned 180 contact hours toward the 270 hours required for certification. Add 6 hours of Ethics and for a total of 186 hours from our training program. Sources for additional hours include employer in-services, conferences, workshops, and distance learning websites.

Eligibility

MACT courses are open to all individuals interested in learning more about chemical dependency. Many students have an interest in becoming a professional addiction counselor in a variety of social or work settings. Allied health professionals such as social workers, nurses, marriage and family therapists often benefit substantially from developing specialized addiction skills to better assist the individuals with whom they work. A commitment to become a full-time counselor is not necessary for course enrollment. However, a strong desire to study the chemical dependency field is essential. A high school or college degree is not required, but students should have basic reading, writing and verbal skills to benefit fully from the training.

Approved Provider

All MACT course offerings are approved by the Certification Board of the Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals for credits toward certification and recertification as an addictions counselor in Mississippi. Other official professional continuing education accreditation groups may also recognize MACT course work for continuing education credits. Mississippi College in Clinton, MS is one of these.

Instructors

All MACT instructors are chosen based upon their proven abilities to facilitate adult learning and skill development. All instructors must meet the following three criteria: (1) Proven current experience in the addictions field; (2) Demonstrated mastery of field of expertise; and (3) Exceptional skills in verbal communications and design of training. Most instructors have earned advanced academic degrees relevant to their field. All instructors are MAAP certified.

Training Location

4785 Old Canton Road, Jackson, MS 39211



Schedule at a Glance

<u>Core Courses</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Dates</u> <small>(may be subject to change)</small>
Addiction Pharmacology	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	December 11-12, 2015 January 15-16, 2016 February 05-06, 2016
Ethics for the Addiction Professional	6	January 17, 2016
Counseling Theories	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	March 04-05, 2016 April 22-23, 2016 May 20-21, 2016
Counseling Skills	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	June 10-11, 2016 July 08-09, 2016 August 05-06, 2016
Ethics for the Addiction Professional	6	June 12, 2016
Counseling Process	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	September 16-17, 2016 October 14-15, 2016 November 04-05, 2016
Addiction Pharmacology	45 (15 hrs. each Weekend)	December 02-03, 2016 January TBA 2017 February TBA 2017

Additional Classes to be added soon

Course Outline

Core Courses

The MACT Program offers a series of four (4) "Core Courses" that provide students a comprehensive survey of information essential for developing basic addictions counseling skills. These courses are fully described below. Class sessions meet Fridays & Saturdays on a monthly basis for twelve (12) months. Classes meet from 1:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. on Fridays, and 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Students may begin the class sessions in March, June, September, or December, and are encouraged to enroll for the full year's training in order to fully benefit from the course work. The four Core Courses total 180 hours of contact hours, which may be applied toward certification.

Ethical Issues in Addiction Counseling

Effective 01/10/2015 Ethics training will only be accepted by completion of MAAP provided Ethics six hour (6) training course for CADC credentials and DREAM provided Ethics six hour (6) training for CPS Credentials. This does not affect persons who are certified with MAAP prior to 01/10/2015. This Ethics training class is mandatory for those applying for any of the MAAP Addiction Counselor Credentials.

This Training class explores essential ethical issues in addiction counseling. This workshop is held in August of each year, on the Sunday immediately following the Friday/Saturday training dates scheduled for these months. This workshop is open to anyone interested in the subject. Pre-registration is required and is accepted on a first-come-first serve basis. To pre-register, simply mail the completed pre-registration form with the appropriate fees. All pre-registrations are confirmed by return mail.

Tuition and Fees

Registration is accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis and space is limited. To register, simply mail the completed registration form with the appropriate registration fee and course tuition. registration fees are non-refundable, but tuition fees are fully refundable up to two weeks prior to the start of a Core Course upon written request. All registrations are confirmed by return e-mail/mail. (Prices may be subject to change.)

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non-Members</u>
Registration Fee (Core Course)	\$ 45	\$ 75
One-year program (4 Core Courses)	1100	1280
Tuition per Core Course	275	320
Ethics Course (includes \$10 Reg. Fee)	60	85

MACT Registration forms are available on our website: msaap.net