

**Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training  
("MACT")**

**2012 – 2013 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.

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 601-933-4994 or emailing [info@msaap.net](mailto: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](http://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.

### **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**

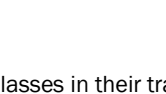
All MACT course offerings are approved by the Certification Board of the Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals for credits toward certification and recertification as an addictions counselor in Mississippi. Other official professional continuing education accreditation groups may also recognize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

### **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**

Our training locations vary according to availability. All students are notified in advance of the location of upcoming classes.



TRAINING LOCATION HOST:  
(Location Subject to Change)

DREAM, Inc.  
310 Airport Rd.  
Pearl, MS 39208

DREAM, Inc. will host our classes in their training room until further notice. DREAM is located in the same building as the MAAP office. Please observe our no tobacco policy on the campus.

**Directions:** From I-55 in Jackson, take I-20 E toward Meridian. Take the Jackson International Airport exit #52 and turn north toward the airport. The office is on the right, on the frontage road next door to DNobiin Furniture. DREAM's sign is located on the building.

## Schedule at a Glance

<u>Core Courses</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Dates</u> <small>(may be subject to change)</small>
Counseling Theories	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	March 16-17, 2012 April 13-14, 2012 May 18-19, 2012
Counseling Skills	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	June 15-16, 2012 July 13-14, 2012 August 10-11, 2012
The Counseling Process	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	September 7-8, 2012 October 12-13, 2012 November 9-10, 2012
Addiction Pharmacology	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	December 14-15, 2012 January 11-12, 2013 February 8-9, 2013
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<b><u>Additional Courses:</u></b>		
"Ethics"	6	March 18, 2012
"HIV/AIDS Training"	6	November 11, 2012

## **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 monthly on the second Friday and Saturday (generally) of the month 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

MACT also offers a six (6) hour workshop that explores essential ethical issues in addiction counseling. This workshop is held in March 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.

### HIV/AIDS

MACT also offers a six (6) hour workshop on the impact of HIV/AIDS in addiction counseling. This workshop is held in November of each year, on the Sunday immediately following the Friday/Saturday training dates scheduled for those 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 e-mail.

### Tuition and Fees

Registration is accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis and space is limited. To pre-register, simply mail the completed pre-registration form with the appropriate registration fee and course tuition. Each three-month course is \$255 for MAAP/NAADAC Members and \$300 for Non-Members. Pre-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 pre-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)	1020	1200
Tuition per Core Course	255	300
Ethics Course (includes \$10 Reg. Fee)	50	75
HIV/AIDS Course (includes \$10 Reg. Fee)	50	75

## Core Courses



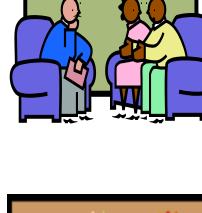
### Addiction Pharmacology (Dec, Jan, Feb)

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.



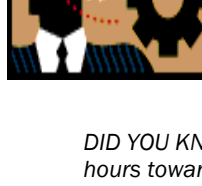
### Counseling Theories (Mar, Apr, May)

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 6 hours of HIV/AIDS for a total of 192 hours available from our training program. Sources for additional hours include employer in-services, conferences, workshops, and distance learning websites.*

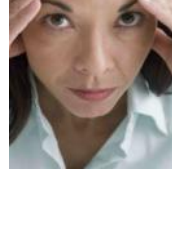
## **Additional Courses**

### **Ethical Issues in Addiction Counseling (March)**

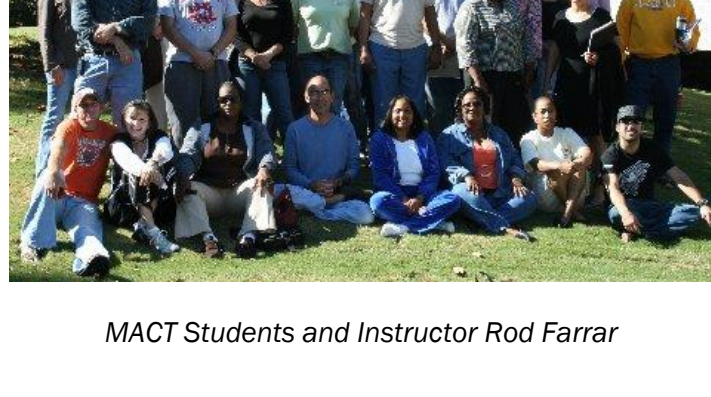


**Goal:** To acquaint students with the MAAP Ethical Standards of Certified Professionals and to explore and discuss essential ethical issues in providing professional addictions counseling to clients. Provides 6 contact hours of instruction.

### **HIV/AIDS (November)**



**Goal:** Students will gain awareness surrounding the prevention, transmission and biological occurrences of this medical issue. Students will also gain insight as to how this medical issue impacts treatment and ways to address. Provide 6 contact hours of instruction.



*MACT Students and Instructor Rod Farrar*

## Counselor Certification

The Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals is the only organization in the state that offers certification in chemical dependency for behavioral health professionals. Certification can be the most rewarding event in a counselor's professional life. Some of the benefits include higher salaried positions, competency to provide services to clients; reciprocity in over 40 states and enhanced recognition for treatment needs of chemically dependent individuals.

Seeking certification, however, is a comprehensive process. To be certified you must meet the minimum requirements below and submit an application packet to the MAAP Certification Board. The application packet includes a manual and instructions for a specialized portfolio of your education, experience and supervised training along with a written case study. Once your application is approved, you are eligible to sit for the written IC&RC exam. Sound challenging? It is! But once you are certified, you are automatically eligible for reciprocity in over 40 states. MAAP offers four discreet credentials for alcohol & drug counselors, which are determined by an individual's education and work experience levels. Basic requirements for certification are listed below. Complete instructions are located in the Certification Manual, Application Packet & Portfolio packet.

- Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor (CADC)
- Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor I (CADC I)
- Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor II (CADC II)
- Certified Advanced Alcohol & Drug Counselor (CAADC) (advanced exam required)

<u>Factor</u>	<u>CADC</u>	<u>CADC I</u>	<u>CADC II</u>	<u>CAADC</u>
Degree (Behavioral Science)	N/A	BA/BS	MA/MS	MA/MS
Work Experience	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5 yrs.	2 yrs.
Supervised Practical Training	ALL CREDENTIALS: 300 hrs.			
Education	ALL CREDENTIALS: 270 hrs.			

The fees generally associated with certification are as follows:

<u>Certification Manual, Application Packet &amp; Portfolio:</u>	\$28 (Members)
	\$38 (Non-Members)
<u>Application Processing Fee:</u>	\$100 (Members)
	\$150 (Non-Members)
<u>Written Exam:</u>	\$150 (Members)
	\$285 (Non-Members)
<u>MAAP/NAADAC Membership Dues:</u>	\$135 annually

In addition to counselor certification, MAAP offers credentialing opportunities to prevention specialists, clinical supervisors and criminal justice professionals. Click on our website at [www.msaaap.net](http://www.msaaap.net) or contact the MAAP office for more information.

## PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Instructions: Registrations for all MACT courses are accepted on a first-come, first-served space available basis. To register, indicate the desired course, complete this form and send it with your pre-registration fee (\$45 MAAP/NAADAC Members; \$75 Non-Members) and the appropriate course fee (\$255 MAAP/NAADAC Members; \$300 Non-Members. We will acknowledge your registration by return e-mail/mail at least ten (10) days prior to the start of the first session. Pre-registration fees are non-refundable, but tuition fees are fully refundable upon written request up to two weeks prior to the start of the course. **PLEASE NOTE THAT ONCE REGISTERED FOR A COURSE, STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF FULL COURSE FEES EVEN IF UNABLE TO ATTEND ALL CLASS SESSIONS.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Primary) \_\_\_\_\_ (Wk)

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Starting Course(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to join MAAP/NAADAC for discounted rates? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No (If yes, please add membership dues to your payment.)

Calculate minimum payment due for pre-registration:

Registration Fee (\$45 Members, \$75 Non-Members): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Course Fee (\$255 Members; \$300 (Non-Members): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MAAP/NAADAC Membership Dues (Optional) (\$135): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Type:  Check/Money Order payable to "MAAP"  
Please charge to my :  Visa  MasterCard (sorry, no AmEx)

Credit Card No: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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