

## Associate of Applied Science Degree

### Chemical Dependency Counseling

The study of Human Services prepares students to understand the world from a variety of perspectives. The goal is to engage students in experiences that foster intellectual, cultural, professional and ethical development. Whether you want to go right into the workforce after graduation or want to pursue higher degrees, the Kilian Human Services program is a great place to start!

Completing our **Chemical Dependency Counseling** program prepares you for an entry-level position as a counselor trainee in the state of South Dakota. The CHDP specialized coursework is required for certification. Counselor trainees must also complete 2000 hours of supervised work experience before applying for certification. The Certificate Program is for people who may already have a college degree or several years of experience in chemical dependency counseling, but need the required coursework for certification in South Dakota. You must achieve a "C" or better in the counseling courses in order for them to be accepted for counselor certification.



#### What kind of job will I get?

Graduates of this program typically work in treatment centers, shelters, halfway houses, community prevention programs, or other nonprofit agencies that work with children and families.

#### How much money will I make?

Typical starting salary is \$20,000-\$25,000 a year.

#### What kind of classes will I take?

Classes in this degree include: Alcoholism, Licit & Illicit Drugs, Individual Counseling, Group Counseling, Ethics, and Diversity Issues

#### STUDENT PROFILE

- Excellent Communications Skills
- Be emotionally mature, objective, and sensitive to the needs of others.
- Desire to help others