

## SO YOU WANT TO BE A CASAC?

Free Informational Session for Individuals Interested in the Field of Addictions Treatment.

*Offered the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 5:30—7:00 pm at 90 McCarty Avenue.*

Job opportunities for people who want to make a difference in the lives of those suffering from chemical dependency will increase in the next ten years as CASACs retire and the demand for addiction counselors increases. If you have ever considered a career as an addiction counselor or are currently working with chemically dependent people but are not yet credentialed, this session will provide you with the information you need to become a CASAC.

This session will present an overview of the 350-hour CASAC program, as well as prerequisites, application process, program fees, and payment plans. An overview of the curriculum will be presented, as well as the steps necessary to obtain a CASAC-Trainee certificate after the coursework is completed. The required work experience and successful completion of mandatory tests for completion of New York State credentials will also be reviewed.

**Contact ACCA at (518) 465-5829 to register to attend the next FREE Informational Session.**

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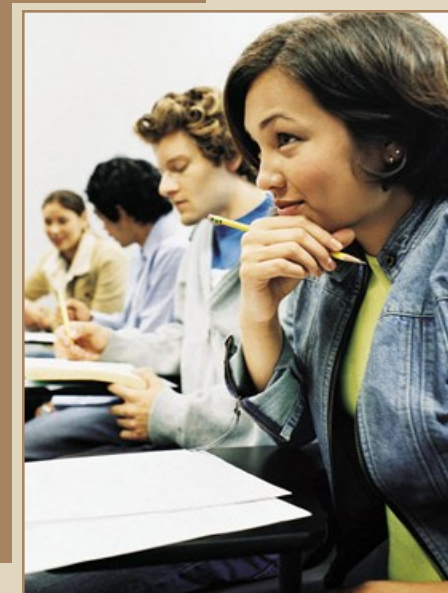


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## ***CREDENTIALLED ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR (CASAC) PROGRAM***



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## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The Addictions Care Center of Albany is recognized by the NYS Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services as a professional training provider. ACCA's CASAC Program is designed to provide students with the required 350 hours of training needed to receive their CASAC Trainee Certificate.

- **Cost:** \$9.75 per credit hour
- **Program Instructors:** All courses are taught by a multi-disciplinarian team of professionals who are employed at ACCA and other treatment and health care facilities throughout the Capital Region.
- **Days and Times:** Tuesday and Thursdays from 5:00 pm–9:00 pm.
- **Duration:** Participants must complete one full year of scheduled evening classes.

*For students who have completed significant hours of education prior to entering the program, an individual career development plan will be made to complete the remaining hours; these students may not have to attend for an entire year.*

- **Location:** All classes will take place at ACCA's Community Education Building in one of our state-of-the-art training rooms at 90 McCarty Avenue in Albany.
- **Application Process:** All interested students should complete an application and return it with a \$25.00 non-refundable application fee.

- **Registration:** Upon registration, to the program students will be enrolled for 12 months of consecutive coursework. Class schedules will be distributed at the time of enrollment. Participants may register at ANY TIME and complete the program after twelve consecutive months of classes.
- **Evaluations:** At the end of each training session, students will be required to fill out an instructor evaluation form. Each participant will also be required to take a midterm exam at the midpoint and a final exam at the end. Each participant must receive a 75% or above on each exam in order to complete the program.
- **Certificates of Completion:** Each student will receive a certificate stating they completed each training session. Each training must be paid in full prior to a student receiving a certificate.

## CASAC SECTION TOPICS

### Section I: 85 Hours

Knowledge of Alcoholism & Substance Abuse

### Section II: 150 Hours

Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Counseling

### Section III: 70 Hours

Assessment, Clinical Evaluation, Treatment Planning, Case Management, Patient, Family and Community Education

### Section IV: 45 Hours

Professional & Ethical Responsibilities

## CASAC COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS:

Upon completion of 350 hours of education students will be qualified for a CASAC-Trainee Certificate. Applications must be submitted to the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (NYS OASAS) with a fee of \$100.00. All fees are non refundable and must be made payable to NYS OASAS in the form of a certified check or money order. Personal checks will not be accepted.

After receiving the CASAC-Trainee Certificate students must do the following to obtain the CASAC credential:

- Complete 6,000 work experience hours in a NYS OASAS-licensed treatment agency.
- Complete and pass NYS OASAS Examination. Fee is \$245.00 and exam is computer-based.

## INTERNSHIPS & CAREER SERVICES

ACCA works with students to provide a personalized, broad range of services to include assisting students with securing internships with area treatment and prevention providers, as well as career counseling for professional development.