Access to Higher Education Diploma

Practitioner in Substance Misuse

Level 3 Accredited Course



This course aims to provide students with a broad, evidence-based framework within which to develop their practice as skilled, creative and competent drug and alcohol practitioners. It combines placement practice with classroom teaching.

Benefits for Individuals

Are you looking to improve your training in substance misuse and potentially progress with enough qualifications to undertake a degree at University in Social Work, Occupational Health, Mental Health, or similar?

EDAS is working alongside our local University to provide access routes for learners to undertake degree courses.

Achievement of the qualification will contribute to the professional development needs of:

- Specialist drug and alcohol workers
- Generic workers who have a substance misuse function within their portfolio of responsibilities, for example, Social Workers, Youth Workers
- Generic workers, who have occasional substance misuse functions, for example, Prison Officers, Teachers, Probation Officers

Duration

36 weeks 1 day per week (9:45am to 1:30pm)

Classes & Venue

Classes take place on Wednesdays at the EDAS ADAPT Learning Centre 54A Ashley Road, Poole, Dorset, BH14 9BN

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Why Study For This Award?

The need to have a competent and motivated workforce, delivering evidence-based treatments is central to maintaining the delivery of a successful and efficient treatment system.

Therefore, this course is a skills framework that is a recovery orientated model of drug and alcohol treatment which shows clear evidence to **National Occupational Standards (DANOS)**, Health, Progression and career opportunities in **Social Care Suite (HSC)**, and **NICE clinical guidance**.

Progression and Career Opportunities

This professionally recognised qualification will provide you with a solid platform to apply for University degree courses* in **Health & Social Care, Psychology**, and other related subjects, as the placement aspect in EDAS or another drug service will provide the applicant with hands-on experience in case management and clinical delivery.

*(GCSE Maths, English & Science Grade C and above are not a prerequisite for the Access Diploma Course with EDAS but they may be entry requirements for some degree courses at University).

Placement Practice

This course offers classroom lessons combined with practical placement. EDAS is in a position to offer a number of part-time work placements. Students can also arrange their own placement at their own place of work, or an alternative agency if they so wish.



Entry Requirements

The Practitioner in Substance Misuse Diploma is suitable for anyone interested in working with people with drug and alcohol problems.

Highly suitable for those already working in the field, using current employment as placement experience.

Applicants must be able to demonstrate the ability to structure academic writing to a proficient standard.

All applicants must be 18 years or above.





Our Tutors

A large team of highly qualified tutors has been assembled, with the aim of providing a varied and systematic grounding in all issues related to drug/alcohol problems.

Alcoholism is a multifactorial and heterogeneous disorder with biopsychosocial components. The interplay between genetic, environmental, and psychiatric factors cannot be overemphasised. With this in mind, our tutors include doctors, counsellors, and psychologists.

A particular emphasis is given to exploring the nature of resistance and methods of facilitating change. The formal teaching component includes the complete practitioner's basic training course in **Motivational Interviewing** followed by reflective practice and the full use of reflective practice transforms through into supervision.

All students will be provided with a comprehensive support structure, including a personal tutor, as well as clinical and group supervision

How Will I Be Assessed?

There are a number of assignments in the form of essays, reports, reflective reviews, and presentations.

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One class a week, on Wednesdays 9:45am to 1:30pm 36 total sessions (excluding Bank Holidays and Half Terms) Classes take place at EDAS ADAPT, 54A Ashley Road, BH14 9BN.



Testimonials from past students and external verifiers

"EDAS training should be a legacy for other providers to follow."

"I can't thank EDAS enough for the fabulous training opportunity and the knowledge and confidence this course has given me. I am now applying to University to be a Social Worker."

"Having been in treatment, I could never imagine completing a UCAS form and now I am... it's amazing!!!"

Course Syllabus



Unit No.	ASC Unit Title	Level	Credit Value
1	Drug & Alcohol Awareness	3	3
2	Research Project	3	3
3	Motivational Interviewing: Spirit & Engagement	3	3
4	Motivational Interviewing: Focussing & Evoking	3	3
5	Motivational Interviewing: Planning & Reflection	3	3
6	Assessment & Treatment Planning & Treatment Options (DCU)	3	6
7	Relapse Prevention	3	3
8	Placement Process & Team Working	3	3
9	Professional Ethics in Substance Misuse Treatment	3	3
10	Theoretical Approaches to Substance Misuse Treatment	3	3
11	Individual Counselling Dynamics in Substance Misuse Treatment	3	3
12	Mental Health Issues in Substance Misuse Treatment	3	3
13	Group Facilitation	3	3
Unit No.	APS Study Skills Units	Level	Credit Value
1	Improving Your Own Study Skills	3	3
2	Creative Presentation	3	3
3	The Role of the Professional	3	3
4	Academic Writing Skills	3	3
5	Critical Thinking	3	3

Course Fees

Total course fees: £1,200

Fees are payable in advance or in 3 monthly instalments of £400.

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