Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Pursue your passion helping those in need.

Many individuals in our communities face the serious psychological issues of an addictive personality. Substance abuse is often one of the unfortunate results. Addiction professionals are trained to assist these individuals, and are committed to helping improve their quality of life.

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions is accredited by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC, nasacaccreditation.org). In addition, Kaplan University is a National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC)-approved education provider, and the program meets the coursework requirements to prepare you to take the National Certified Addiction Counselor, Level I and II certification examinations (NCAC I & II).  

Kaplan University’s faculty and curriculum go beyond the knowledge you find in a textbook—courses are designed and taught by professors with firsthand knowledge of their field. Our goal is to create a dynamic environment for online learning through technology and course delivery methods that allow you to access our user-friendly classes virtually anywhere you have an Internet connection. The atmosphere is positive, reinforcing, and highly accessible.

Psychology programs are part of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, which offers a breadth of graduate and undergraduate academic programs designed to develop professionals and leaders in fields that make a difference in response to human and societal causes, issues, and needs.

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Learn more about our programs. Visit kaplanuniversity.edu or call 866.KAPLAN.U.
According to a 2014 survey conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, an estimated 21.5 million Americans aged 12 or older were classified with a substance abuse disorder in the past year. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of community health workers, who often support those with addictions, is projected to grow faster than average between 2014 and 2024.

Study Exactly What You Need to Know.
Taking the right courses in the right degree program could contribute to your job marketability and career success. At Kaplan University’s College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, you’ll find commitment and support you can count on.

A Psychology Degree Could Help You Pursue New Opportunities.

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions curriculum is designed to equip you with a fundamental understanding of the major concepts, values, theories, psychological studies, research methods, and historical trends in psychology as they apply to:

- Addiction science
- Assessment
- Prevention
- Intervention
- Treatment
- Case management

The program is also designed to prepare students for graduate work to pursue more specialized careers. Earning a Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions can open the door to many opportunities. Some careers titles in the field include:

- Community health worker
- Addictions case manager
- Outreach specialist
- Addictions treatment technician

Possible work settings for addictions-related careers may include schools, government, and nonprofits; ranging from small agencies, halfway houses, and other assistance facilities to larger places of employment such as hospitals and corporate treatment centers. Please note that careers in these settings may require additional training or licensure.

As an Approved Education Provider and Premier Organizational Member of NAADAC, Kaplan University has been recognized by the national community of addiction professionals for its commitment to educational quality and the future of the profession. Depending on your state requirements, the psychology degree in addictions at Kaplan University may meet the educational requirements for state certification opportunities in substance abuse counseling. As a National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC)-approved education provider, Kaplan University can prepare you for a career assisting those suffering from substance abuse with a recognized degree by a national leader in the industry.

While some of the career options in psychology in addictions may need additional requirements, such as specific experience and training, earning a bachelor's degree in psychology can potentially help you earn licensure or certification credentials in your state. Keep in mind that state credentials and their associated requirements vary from state to state. Therefore we encourage you to research your particular state's requirements if these credentials are part of your ultimate goal. Addictions Professionals Are Expected to Be in Demand.

Work one-on-one with an Education Advisor to build a personalized degree plan that best suits your ultimate career goals.

Connect with an enthusiastic community of students from every corner of the country, and learn from faculty members who actively participate in their fields.

Participate in interactive webinars, informative speaker series, and student clubs where you’ll interact with industry leaders and network with individuals who share your passion for driving change.

A Psychology Degree Could Help You Pursue New Opportunities.
Real-World Knowledge That Works

As a student in Kaplan University’s Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions program, you’ll have the opportunity to develop and use psychological skills, think critically, and evaluate behavior and mental processes.

The curriculum emphasizes key skills including communication, global awareness, information and technology, and the application of psychological principles.

You’ll be taught to identify the risk factors for substance abuse and investigate prevention, evaluation, and treatment strategies.

Upon graduation, you’ll be prepared for careers in clinical and educational settings or for positions in abuse treatment programs.

Your degree will include the coursework requirements for eligibility to take the NCAC, Level I and II certification examinations.¹

Accelerated Master’s Degree Option
Interested in continuing on to pursue a graduate degree? Our flexible degree pathways allow you to work toward any of the following Kaplan University master’s degrees while you earn your bachelor’s degree:
• Master of Public Administration
• Master of Science in Human Services
• Master of Science in Legal Studies
• Master of Science in Psychology

Complete both your bachelor’s degree and master’s degree in less time and at a lower cost than completing both programs separately. Speak to an Education Advisor for more details upon enrollment in this bachelor’s degree program.

Program Detail

Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions

Credit Hours: 180

Program many not be available in all states. Contact an Admissions Advisor for details.

Kaplan University Tuition Cap

This program is offered at Kaplan University Tuition Cap pricing, which limits the cost of completion for eligible enrollees. For complete details, including eligibility, associated fees, and how prior learning credits could further lower the cost of attendance, visit www.kaplanuniversity.edu/paying-school/tuition-reduction.aspx.
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We Stand Behind Our Academic Quality.
Try Our Classes Before You Owe Any Tuition.

Kaplan University wants you to make an educated decision about your education. As a new student, the Kaplan Commitment℠ gives you a chance to experience real classes before deciding if you will stay and pursue your studies. If you withdraw during the introductory period, you will have no financial obligation beyond the application fee.6

Why Kaplan University?

Our programs are designed to offer you the freedom to grow and pursue your goals. We offer:
• Online classes that allow you to study virtually anytime, anywhere you have an Internet connection.
• Personal advisors to help you select the courses to meet your goals.
• Scholarships for eligible Kaplan University students.
• A portfolio development course that could help translate your work and life experiences into college credit.7

Other Programs

In addition to this program, Kaplan University also offers:
• Master of Public Administration
• Master of Science in Psychology
• Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis
• Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
• Bachelor of Science in Communication
• Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Administration
• Bachelor of Science in Human Services in Youth/Family Services and Administration
• Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies
• Graduate Certificate in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
• Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) Postbaccalaureate Certificate

Note From the Dean

“The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences degree programs are created to meet the unique needs of students. Whether students are interested in the flexibility of creating their own degree plan, applying previously earned college credit to earn their degree faster, or starting a degree from the beginning, the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences focuses on the needs of adult students in pursuing their educational, career, and personal goals.”

Sara Sander
Dean and Vice President,
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

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