

Nebraska Requirements for P-LADC and LADC

This is a link to preapproved educational institutions for NE coursework:

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Documents/ADCPreapprovedEduc.pdf>

They are required to have 18 semester credit hours of coursework and it appears that it must come from a college or university.

38-314. Provisional alcohol and drug counselor; license requirements.

To be licensed to practice as a provisional alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall:

- (1) Have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- (2) Have two hundred seventy hours of education related to the knowledge and skills of alcohol and drug counseling which shall include:
 - (a) A minimum of forty-five hours in counseling theories and techniques coursework;
 - (b) A minimum of forty-five hours in group counseling coursework;
 - (c) A minimum of thirty hours in human growth and development coursework;
 - (d) A minimum of fifteen hours in professional ethics and issues coursework;
 - (e) A minimum of thirty hours in alcohol and drug assessment, case planning, and management coursework;
 - (f) A minimum of thirty hours in multicultural counseling coursework;
 - (g) A minimum of forty-five hours in medical and psychosocial aspects of alcohol and drug use, abuse, and addiction coursework; and
 - (h) A minimum of thirty hours in clinical treatment issues in chemical dependency coursework; and
- (3) Have supervised practical training which shall:
 - (a) Include performing a minimum of three hundred hours in the counselor core functions in a work setting where alcohol and drug counseling is provided;
 - (b) Be a formal, systematic process that focuses on skill development and integration of knowledge;
 - (c) Include training hours documented by performance date and core function performance areas; and
 - (d) Include the performance of all counselor core functions with no single function performed less than ten hours.

Source: Laws 2004, LB 1083, § 119; R.S.Supp.,2006, § 71-1,355; Laws 2007, LB463, § 165.

38-316. Alcohol and drug counselor; license requirements.

(1) To be licensed to practice as an alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall meet the requirements for licensure as a provisional alcohol and drug counselor under section 38-314, shall receive a passing score on an examination approved by the board, and shall have six thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience providing alcohol and drug counseling services to alcohol and other drug clients for remuneration. The experience shall be polydrug counseling experience.

(2) The experience shall include carrying a client caseload as the primary alcohol and drug counselor performing the core functions of assessment, treatment planning, counseling, case management, referral, reports and record keeping, and consultation with other professionals for those clients. The experience shall also include responsibility for performance of the five remaining core functions although these core functions need not be performed by the applicant with each client in their caseload.

(3) Experience that shall not count towards licensure shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) Providing services to individuals who do not have a diagnosis of alcohol and drug abuse or dependence such as prevention, intervention, and codependency services or other mental health disorder counseling services, except that this shall not exclude counseling services provided to a client's significant others when provided in the context of treatment for the diagnosed alcohol or drug client; and

(b) Providing services when the experience does not include primary case responsibility for alcohol or drug treatment or does not include responsibility for the performance of all of the core functions.

(4) The maximum number of hours of experience that may be accrued are forty hours per week or two thousand hours per year.

(5)(a) A postsecondary educational degree may be substituted for part of the supervised clinical work experience. The degree shall be from a regionally accredited postsecondary educational institution or the educational program shall be accredited by a nationally recognized accreditation agency.

(b) An associate's degree in addictions or chemical dependency may be substituted for one thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(c) A bachelor's degree with a major in counseling, addictions, social work, sociology, or psychology may be substituted for two thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(d) A master's degree or higher in counseling, addictions, social work, sociology, or psychology may be substituted for four thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(e) A substitution shall not be made for more than one degree.

Source: Laws 2004, LB 1083, § 121; R.S.Supp.,2006, § 71-1,357; Laws 2007, LB463, § 167

