

-Why should I attend the MACT program and become certified?

-What are the benefits?

- Enhances professional credibility.
- Extends knowledge and skills, preparing you for more job responsibilities.
- Serves as portable proof of ability.
- Enriches self-image and reputation among peers.
- Improves career opportunities-promotion, pay increases, job portability.
- Builds confidence in employers seeking competent staff to work with SUD populations.
- You'll have reciprocity throughout the U.S. and other countries through IC&RC.
- Organizations recognize certifications; helps ensure quality prevention and treatment services.

For more information on training and credentialing, please visit our website @[www.msaap.net](http://www.msaap.net) or email us at [info@msaap.net](mailto:info@msaap.net) OR [tonja@msaap.net](mailto:tonja@msaap.net)  
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## Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training ("MACT")

**"OFFERING A PROVEN MODEL FOR ADDICTIONS  
TRAINING IN USE  
SINCE 1974"**

## Our Mission:

*To provide education, training, and certification to professionals in the field of Substance Use Disorders.*

## Our Vision:

*To promote and participate in the development and recognition of professional standards and resources such as education, training, and certification for all professionals involved in the field of Substance Use Disorders.*

Distance Learning  
Center, LLC



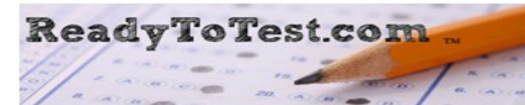
Serving the educational needs of the  
drug/alcohol field since  
1997

[dlcas.com](http://dlcas.com)

Obtain basic or continuing education hours via distance learning and save both time and money! The Distance Learning Center (a division of DLC, LLC) is working in conjunction with MAAP to provide an expanded training plan for counselors seeking credentialing in Mississippi. At the present time, MAAP offers a live, 186-hour training program to help students gather hours toward their Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor (CADC) credential. We will be offering a special package of courses to allow students to obtain the hours not currently offered through the MACT training program. These hours will increase your knowledge of the drug/alcohol field AND help prepare you for your credentialing examination. For more information, visit the following website:

<https://www.dlcas.com/mississippi>.

We also offer more than ninety courses that can be used to fulfill your CE renewal requirements. All coursework is research based and developed by national experts in the field.



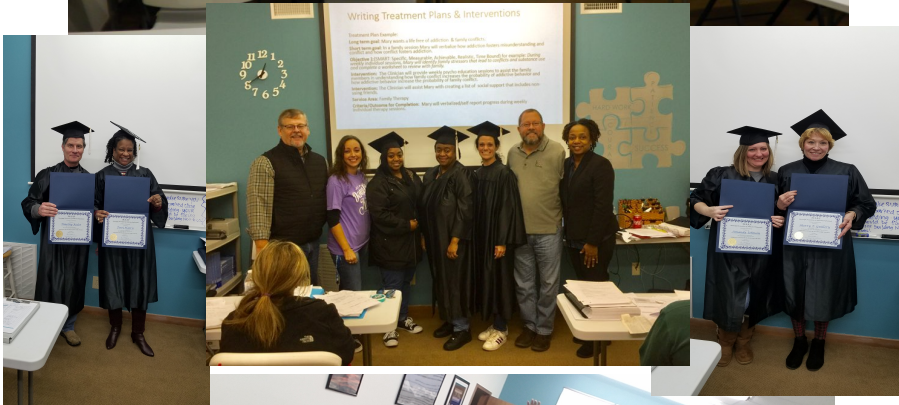
Our ReadyToTest.com division is dedicated to helping students study for and pass their IC&RC credentialing examination. Since 2001, we have helped more than 32,000 counselors successfully navigate this final requirement for obtaining a credential as a drug/alcohol professional.

We offer a variety of study materials to assist you when the time comes to sit for your examination. Whether you need "how to" information on taking the exam, or if you need content review materials to refresh your basic knowledge, ReadyToTest.com has a product that is right for you.

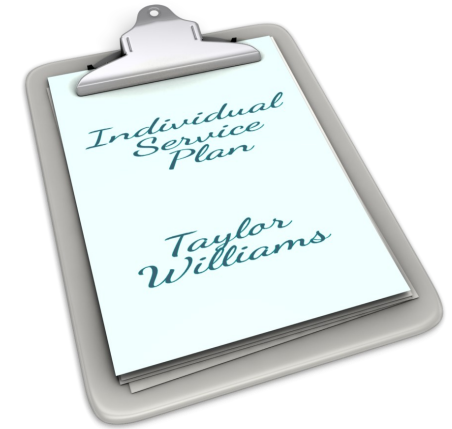
Visit our website at [www.ReadyToTest.com](http://www.ReadyToTest.com) for more information about our materials. You can also reach us by email at [testing@dlc.email](mailto:testing@dlc.email) or call us, toll free, at 866 431-4240.

## 12 Core Functions

The 12 core Functions are the basics of Addiction Counseling. The MACT Program focuses on these to give you well rounded training and preparation for the IC&RC Exam.



1. Screening
2. Intake
3. Orientation
4. Assessment
5. Treatment Planning
6. Counseling ( Individual, Group, Family )
7. Case Management
8. Crisis Intervention
9. Client Education
10. Referral
11. Reports & Recordkeeping
12. Consultation



## Dear Prospective Student,

The entire membership of the Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals (MAAP) would like to thank you for your interest in the Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training (MACT) program.

Our goal is to help individuals interested in the field of addiction to become certified. This course is designed to give you education, understanding, application and techniques to help you help others and their families treat addiction.

The course is designed to provide the education and training needed to help you pass your certification examination, once the educational, supervision and work experience parts of the certification process are completed. The (MACT) course runs for fifteen (15) hours of education and training, one (1) weekend a month for twelve (12) months.

There is currently one location in the state, Jackson, Mississippi. We sincerely hope you will join us in helping others recover from addiction.

You will find everything you need to get started on our website [www.msaap.net](http://www.msaap.net) or by calling the MAAP office at 601-321-2085 for further information or questions. Please begin your registration process today, as seating is limited, and registrations are taken on a first come-first serve basis. We look forward to hearing from you.

Welcome to the MAAP family.  
Sincerely,

MAAP Education Committee



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Together, we are "Bringing all the Pieces Together" to help enhance the quality of life for those directly or indirectly affected by alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse. MAAP's mission is three-fold: "To provide education, training and certification to professionals in the field of chemical dependency." In order to effectively carry out its mission, MAAP depends on the generosity of its volunteer members to serve on the Board of Directors of the association, Certification Board and various standing committees.

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### Are you interested in becoming certified?

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Certification for addiction professionals is designed to accommodate and evaluate those who are experientially trained as well as those who are academically trained. The certification process defines the core knowledge and skill base needed by all professionals regardless of their professional training, orientation or occupation. The certification process sets a baseline standard for professionals providing services to individuals with alcohol and drug abuse problems. Such professionals are given recognition for meeting specific predetermined criteria. The purpose is to assure that quality treatment services are available to individuals with substance abuse problems. Certification provides a professional credential that can assist employers in selecting competent staff to work with this populations.

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### Where do I begin?

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Begin by looking over the Credentialing pages on our website. Which type and level of certification are you most interested in pursuing? Once that is determined, do you meet, or are you close to meeting, the qualifications to submit an application packet and portfolio to the Certification Board? If so, download and print the Certification Manual, Application Packet & Portfolio for the credential you are seeking. If not, consult with your supervisor (s) for assistance in obtaining the appropriate certification for your career goals. You may need to further your education or obtain additional work experience to meet the guidelines. Whatever it takes, don't give up!

## **CERTIFIED INTERN COUNSELOR**

### **Education**

192 hours of education/training specific to the domains. Six hours must in Ethics to include specifics relating to alcohol & drug counseling and six hours must be specific to HIV/AIDS training (MAAP Ethics class is mandatory for those applying for ANY of the MAAP Addiction Credentials).

### **Code of Ethics**

Applicants must sign a code of ethics statement to include specifics relating to alcohol & drug counseling.

### **Renewal**

20 hours of continuing education/training earned every two years, which must include topics relating to the IC&RC ADC domains, and must include 2 hours in Ethics to include specifics relating to alcohol and drug counseling and 2 hours in Person Centered training. This is a four year credential and you must have the remainder of your ADC portfolio ready in this time. Visit our website for ALL requirements.



## **Welcome to MACT**

Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals (MAAP) is pleased to offer an outstanding training program that will assist addiction counselors and allied health professionals to acquire and develop effective skills to work with individuals and families affected by addiction. The Addiction Counselor Training (ACT) Model for training addiction counselors was developed in Texas in 1974 and has been implemented throughout Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Hawaii and California. Its founder, Vic Shaw established the ACT here in Mississippi in the late 1990s.



*Vic Shaw  
ACT Founder*

ACT has a proven track record of providing over three decades of quality counselor education, while benefitting several thousand individuals to improve and upgrade their skills. As we work to advance the credentialing standards here in Mississippi, we have recently added a textbook to guide the course and to help our graduates in taking the national credentialing exam. This book is published as a study guide by Kevin Scheel, who instructed the pharmacology segment of MACT for several years and has made it available for our students at a reduced price. As always, we are committed to providing this training at a reasonable cost and to making it accessible for interested individuals.

Thank you for your interest in the Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training (MACT) program and for your desire to improve your abilities and skills to help facilitate your work with addicted clients.. We hope that you will join us for this professional training program. If you have questions, you may contact the MAAP office by calling 601-321-2085 or emailing [info@msaap.net](mailto:info@msaap.net). For additional information on training or to explore the different areas of certification, check out our website at [www.msaap.net](http://www.msaap.net).

### **PURPOSE**

The Mississippi Addiction Counselor Training (MACT) Program exists to help behavioral health students and professionals improve their skills to better serve persons addicted to harmful chemicals. All course work is structured in a manner to encourage both personal growth and professional development.

The program is designed for both experienced counselors looking to upgrade their skills, intern counselors working toward a credential, and individuals who are seeking employment in the addiction counseling profession. All training is provided in a safe learning environment conducive to personal and professional training and growth.

## Eligibility

MACT courses are open to all individuals interested in learning more about chemical dependency. Many students have an interest in becoming a professional addiction counselor in a variety of social or work settings. Allied health professionals such as social workers, nurses, marriage and family therapists often benefit substantially from developing specialized addiction skills to better assist the individuals with whom they serve. A commitment to become a full-time counselor is not necessary for course enrollment. However, a strong desire to study the chemical dependency field is essential. A college degree is not required, but students are required to have a minimum of a high school diploma or GED.

## Approved Provider

All MACT course offerings are approved by the Certification Board of the Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals for credits toward certification and recertification as an addictions counselor in Mississippi. Other official professional continuing education accreditation groups, may also recognize MACT course work for continuing education credits.



## Additional Courses

### Ethical Issues in Addiction Counseling

Goal: To acquaint students with the MAAP official Code of Ethics and to explore and discuss essential ethical issues in providing professional addictions counseling to clients. Provides 6 contact hours of instruction.

### “Ready to Test” Workshop

Goal: To prepare attendees for the IC&RC certification exam with an overview of the training textbook and practice exams.



*MACT Students and Instructor Rod Farrar*



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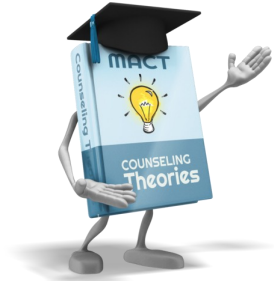
## Core Courses

Each Core Course provides 45 contact hours of instruction



### Addiction Pharmacology (Mar, Apr, May)

Goal: To familiarize the student with the basic pharmacological properties, effects, and consequences of alcohol and drug abuse in our society.



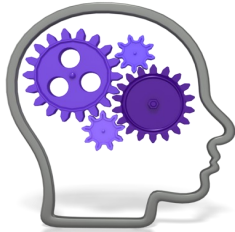
### Counseling Theories (Jun, Jul, Aug)

Goal: To introduce students to various historical models of counseling addicted clients and to explore the relationship to other models of counseling.



### Counseling Skills (Sept, Oct, Nov)

Goal: To develop the student's skills in basic addiction counseling techniques and theory application.



### Counseling Process (Dec, Jan, Feb)

Goal: To acquaint the student with the theoretical and practical aspects of the addiction counseling process.

*DID YOU KNOW ... that after completing the four Core Courses, students will have earned 180 contact hours toward the 270 hours required for certification. Add 6 hours of Ethics and 6 hours of the "Ready to Test" Workshop for a total of 192 hours from our training program. Sources for additional hours include employer in-services, conferences, workshops, and distance learning websites.*

## Current MACT Instructors



**Shuana Fletcher**  
LMSW, SAP, CMHT, ICAADC  
\*Counseling Process\*



**Bernard Matherne, Jr.**  
P-LPC, ICADC-II, ACRPS  
\* Counseling Skills\*



**Jordan Hillhouse**  
MBA, BS, ICPS  
\*Addiction Pharmacology\*




**Dr. Lin Hogan**  
PsyD, LPC, MAC, ICAADC  
\*Counseling Theories\*

All MACT instructors are chosen based upon their proven abilities to facilitate adult learning and skill development. All instructors must meet the following three criteria: (1) Proven current experience in the addictions field; (2) Demonstrated mastery of field of expertise; and (3) Exceptional skills in verbal communications and design of training. Most Instructors have earned advanced academic degrees relevant to their field.

## Course Outline

# MACT Schedule at a Glance

### 2022-2023

<u>Core Courses</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Date</u> <i>(may be subject to change)</i>
Counseling Process	45  (15 hrs. each weekend)	September 17-18, 2022 October 15-16, 2022 November 5-6, 2022
Ethics	6	August 20, 2022(zoom)
Counseling Process	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	December 3-4, 2022 January 14-15, 2023 February 11-12, 2023
Addiction Pharmacology	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	March 11-12, 2023 April 8-9, 2023 May 13-14, 2023
Ethics	6	TBA-2023
Counseling Theories	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	June 10-11, 2023 July 8-9, 2023 August 5-6, 2023
Counseling Skills	45 (15 hrs. each weekend)	September 2023 October 2023 November 2023 ***TBA

**Classes meet 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday**

**Ethics class will meet quarterly 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Via ZOOM (TBA)**

**\*\*\*Dates are subject to change (contact office/website for details)**

### Core Courses

The MACT Program offers a series of four (4) “Core Courses” that provide students a comprehensive survey of information essential for developing basic addictions counseling skills. These courses are fully described below. Class sessions meet Saturdays & Sundays on a monthly basis for twelve (12) months. Classes meet from 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. on Saturdays, and 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. on Sundays. Students may begin the class sessions in March, June, September, or December, and are encouraged to enroll for the full year’s training in order to fully benefit from the course work. The four Core Courses total 180 hours of contact hours, which may be applied toward certification.

### Ethical Issues in Addiction Counseling

This Ethics training class is mandatory for those applying for ANY of the MAAP Addiction Counselor Credentials.

This Training class explores essential ethical issues in addiction counseling. This workshop has been moved to online, (via ZOOM), starting August 20, 2022. This workshop is open to anyone interested in the subject. Pre-registration is required and is accepted on a first-come-first serve basis. To pre-register, simply e-mail the completed registration form with the appropriate fees. All registrations are confirmed by email.

### Tuition and Fees

Registration is accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis and space is limited. To register, simply email the completed registration form with the appropriate registration fee and course tuition. Registration fees are non-refundable, but tuition fees are fully refundable up to two weeks prior to the start of a Core Course upon written request. All registrations are confirmed by return e-mail. (Prices may be subject to change.)

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non-Members</u>
Registration Fee (Core Course)	\$ 50	\$ 80
Text Book	130	155
Tuition per Core Course	350	395
One-year program (4 Core Courses)	1400	1580
Ethics Course (includes \$10 Reg. Fee)	75	100
Ready to test workshop (includes \$10 Reg. Fee)	60	85

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