

Westfield State College
Addiction Counselor Education
Western Avenue
Westfield MA 01086
413-572-8034

FINANCIAL AID

The Addiction Counselor Education Program is a one year certificate program offered through Community Education at Westfield State College. Because the ACE program offers CEUs (continuing education units) instead of credits, students are NOT eligible for financial aid through FAFSA, which includes Pell Grants, Massachusetts State Scholarships & Grants, Federal Student Loans and similar traditional financial aid monies. However, there are some programs that can assist students who meet their specific requirements. A partial listing follows:

- Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission-- works with disabled individuals to return them to the workforce. In Springfield – 413-736-7296.
- Division of Career Services, www.detma.org , see attached list of centers in your region.
- The Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts offers scholarship monies from several private foundations. Application Deadlines are: January, June and October of each year. On-line Scholarship Applications are available in January of each year with a deadline of March 31. Visit www.communityfoundation.org for access to the on-line scholarship applications. Nearly \$2 million is available in scholarships and loans.
- Local Banks can also provide student loans that cover the ACE program a one-year certificate program. Inquire at your Bank.
- Massachusetts Education Rewards Loan Program (MEFA) is a new state initiative to provide low interest (currently 6.1%) unsecured personal loans of \$1,000 to \$10,000 with a 10-year payback period. The loans are specifically for one year or less non-degree certificate programs not eligible for other forms of financial aid loan programs. (Westfield State College—Addiction Counselor Education Program has been approved). We are listed under “psychiatric technicians” which is a broad term including addiction counselors. The Code # is 29205300. CONTACT any of the attached listed Career Centers or a Career Center in your town.

DIVISION OF CAREER SERVICES

www.detma.org

CENTRAL Massachusetts

Workforce Central

6 Airport Road

Dudley, MA 01571

Phone: 508-943-1240

TTY Number: 508-943-4910

North Central Career Centers

25 Main Street

Gardner, MA 01440

Phone: 978-632-5050

TTY Number: 508-792-7571

North Central Career Centers

100 Erdman Way

Leominster, MA 01453

Phone: 978-534-1481

TTY Number: 978-534-1657

Workforce Central

14 Beach Street

Milford, MA 01757

Phone: 508-478-4300

TTY Number: 508-478-1887

Workforce Central

44 Front Street 6th Floor

Worcester, MA 01608

Phone: 508-799-1600

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Western Massachusetts

[Franklin/Hampshire Career Center](#)

One Arch Place
Greenfield, MA 01301
Phone: 413-774-4361
TTY Number: 413-772-2174

[CareerPoint](#)

850 High Street
Holyoke, MA 01040
Phone: 413-532-4900
TTY Number: 413-535-3098

[BerkshireWorks](#)

37 Main Street
North Adams, MA 01247
Phone: 413-663-1111
TTY Number: 413-663-5442

[Franklin/Hampshire Career Center](#)

243 King Street
Northampton, MA 01060
Phone: 413-586-6506
TTY Number: 413-586-4921

[BerkshireWorks](#)

160 North Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201
Phone: 413-499-2220
TTY Number: 413-499-7306

[FutureWorks](#)

One Federal Street Building 103-3
Springfield, MA 01105
Phone: 413-858-2800
TTY Number: 413-858-2800