

# **ADDICTION RECOVERY COACH CERTIFICATE PROGRAM WESTFIELD STATE UNIVERSITY**

## **A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEQUENCE**

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**This program is specific to Peer Recovery Support Services and meets the CARC requirements in Massachusetts as administered by MBSACC.**

Every aspect of the Addiction Recovery Coach Certificate (ARCC) Program is set up to give individuals the knowledge and skills required to be a recovery coach. As adult learners participants are internally motivated and self-directed, bringing life experiences and knowledge to their learning experiences.

This ARCC Program is based in part on the nationally recognized Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery (CCAR)'s Recovery Coach Academy. It is also based on the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC & RC) requirements through the Massachusetts Board of Substance Abuse Counselor Certification (MBSACC). The content and courses will expand beyond the basic role of the recovery coach leaving participants with increased sense of self and an important part of the recovery community.

The Recovery Coach Program offers individuals an experience to expand their knowledge and skills by providing necessary learning, tools, and resources needed to become an effective recovery coach.

## **THE ADMISSION PROCESS**

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Candidates' qualifications are reviewed by the Director of the Addiction Recovery Coach Certificate Program. Completion of a:

- high school diploma or GED,
- narrative statement,
- signed attendance policy statement, and
- personal conversation are all considered when an application is reviewed.

All admission materials become the property of the Addiction Recovery Coach Certificate Program and may not be returned to you or submitted to other parties for any other use.

Admission to the Addiction Recovery Coach Certificate Program is determined without regard to race, color, sex, religion, or national origin.

Students may start the program in September.

## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

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Application to the Addiction Recovery Coach Certificate Program consists of the following: (Submit the application, fee, transcripts and narrative together.)

- Application and \$25 non-refundable fee payable to Westfield State University
- Narrative Statement
- Transcript from the Highest Level of Education or High School Transcript or GED
- Personal Conversation

All application materials must be sent to Westfield State University, Addiction Recovery Coach Certificate Program, 333 Western Avenue, Westfield MA 01086.

## **ACCEPTANCE**

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After a candidate submits an application and supportive material, an appointment will be scheduled with the program director. Admission decisions are made on an individual basis; candidates will be notified in writing as soon as a decision has been made.