

Mental Health and Addiction Worker Program

Build your career brand in the Mental Health and Addiction Worker Program at Fleming College. The program offers a unique applied learning experience which enables graduates to work in various areas within the field of mental health and addictions. Students can choose to build on their program of study in Mental Health and Addictions through completing the dual diploma in Social Service Worker.

There is a high demand for mental health and addictions professionals. Roles include case manager, mental health clinician, addiction counsellor, or relief staff in residential facilities or community withdrawal management services, health promotion and outreach services.

	FIRST SEMESTER	SECOND SEMESTER	THIRD SEMESTER	FOURTH SEMESTER	AND BEYOND	
DEVELOP YOUR CAREER BRAND	LEARN					
	BE OPEN TO ALL CAREER POSSIBILITIES	Check out orientation , meet fellow students in your program and faculty.	Your Professional Practice I course will prepare you for becoming a professional in the field while ensuring you are employment ready.	Enroll in one of the free on-campus certifications such as the Campus Health or Information Literacy certifications.	Come to a Program Advisory Committee meeting. Demonstrate leadership skills and get involved with the future of your program!	Keep in contact with Career Services . Graduates can access services for two years beyond graduation.
	BUILD ON YOUR PROGRAM AND EXPERIENCES	Link up with us on Facebook and Twitter and keep up with news and information about the program and industry .	Build problem solving skills in your Ethics and Professional Practice course while exploring professional, legal and ethical standards.	Practice your interview skills by completing a virtual mock interview through Interview Stream .	Integrate theory and practice in your applied learning experience and demonstrate your professionalism in your Field Placement .	Access community job search resources after graduation at Fleming CREW , Lindsay VCCS , or other providers .
	BELONG					
	GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY	Begin your co-curricular record to track campus and community involvement that contributes to your career brand.	Engage in community service learning. Investigate volunteer opportunities both on and off campus.	Book an appointment with a Career Educator to discuss how to present communication skills gained in volunteer experiences.	Get involved in community organizations such as KINARK , Five Counties , or Tri-counties .	Stay in touch, network with program faculty and your peers after graduation.
	FIND SUPPORT FOR YOUR CAREER PATH AND GOALS	Connect with campus resources such as Tutoring & Academic Skills , start your academic career off on a strong footing.	Build your diversity and cultural competencies to show your ability to succeed in inclusive workplaces.	Develop leadership and group facilitation skills in Group Theory : Models and Dynamics culminating in a psychoeducational group proposal.	Career Services can link you to employers who want to hire from your program!	Connect with the FastStart program for entrepreneurship resources.
	USE YOUR EDUCATION TO CREATE NEW OPPORTUNITIES	Introductory Computing you will learn the latest software and hardware needed in industry.	Register with Career Services and access TypeFocus to identify personality strengths and	Investigate Fleming College's commitment to sustainable practices and see how you can get involved.	Link with Educational Pathways to investigate the Dual Diploma in the helping professions.	Mentor a grad or student, stay connected through the Alumni LinkedIn page.
	BECOME					
	BE SUCCESSFUL ON YOUR TERMS	First in your family to attend College? Connect with First Generation supports to help you navigate College.	Your written and verbal communication skills will be perfected for the profession in Documentation and Report Keeping in Human Services .	Professional Practice II gives you the opportunity to finishing aligning your experiences for placement opportunities and perfecting your portfolio for selection.	Connect and register with the Alumni Office , Review alumni profiles to get a snapshot of career paths graduates have followed.	Explore Continuing Education courses for ongoing learning opportunities to stay updated in your industry.
	EMBRACE THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE AROUND YOU	Your first semester courses such Counselling Interventions I and Mental Health & Recovery will have you learning about the profession from day one.	Access a wide variety of Student Life resources to help you succeed at College.	Participate in Networking and LinkedIn workshops to build your job search skill sets.	Book an appointment with a Career Educator to discuss your plans beyond graduation.	Continue to manage your career and document your career achievements in your portfolio.