



Professional Diploma in Gambling Addiction Counseling * (Certified Gambling Counselor by Canadian Problem Gambling Certification Board - CPGCB)

Individuals struggling with gambling problems will continue to be a growing challenge in Asia and Singapore. Studies report the devastating impact of gambling problems in family, business, relationship and society. This course, a first in Singapore to be certifiable with the [Canadian Problem Gambling Certification Board](#) (CPGCB), will provide you with the necessary tools and skills to deal with such challenges.

Course Overview

This program entails a unique combination of academic training and clinical experience to enable the individual to become a competent gambling addiction counselor. The academic training is provided by AIPP and approved (in stages) by CPGCB. After the training, the individual will continue with the prescribed clinical experience and supervision before being certified as a gambling counselor by CPGCB. This course allows the individual the most comprehensive training to be a certified counselor in the field of gambling addiction.

The 100-hours course work includes counseling skills development, case management, assessments, intervention techniques, systems counseling, group techniques, legal and ethical issues, and financial planning.

Special Features

- Limited admission of students to keep class size small
- Direct instructional learning under experienced psychologists, counselors, addiction counselors and legal experts
- Distinct professional identity as a “Certified Gambling Counselor” after completion of all clinical requirements

Admission Requirements

- Applicants should be at least 18 years of age
- Diploma or certificate holders with a recognized institution of learning
- In lieu of the required academic qualifications, mature applicants may be considered on an individual basis
- Admission interview is required
- Complete pre-requisites, if necessary
- Exhibit characteristics of being mature and responsible

Course Objectives

- Gain indepth knowledge of the different impacts related to gambling
- Learn the biological, psychological, societal, cultural and addictive aspects of gambling disorders
- Understand the different components in recovery
- Gain clinical skills in treatment such as cognitive-behavioral therapy, motivational interview, family therapy, and group therapy
- Understand the dynamics of relapse prevention and aftercare
- Learn the different researches and findings with regard to the prevention, treatment and multicultural impact of gambling disorders
- Develop oneself to be a competent, professional counselor specializing in treating gambling addiction

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Assessment

Students will be required to:

- Meet 80% attendance requirement
- Satisfy completion of the clinical hours
- Complete individual module assignments
- Complete other related assignments and projects

Upon successful completion of this and the other course requirements, individuals will be awarded a Professional Diploma in Gambling Addiction Counseling by the Asia Institute of Professional Psychology.

Courses Required

AC 5001	Introduction to Addictions
AC 5002	Treatment Planning and Case Management
CP 5002	Counseling Skills
CP 5009	Understanding Psychopathology
MFT 5001	Systems Counseling
CP 5003	Group Theory and Process
AC 5003	Financial Planning
CP 5004	Assessment and Research in Counseling and Psychology
CP 5005	Counseling the Special Populations
CP 5006	Professional Seminar

Required total hours: 100 hours

Course Duration

Part-time: 10-12 months

Classes are generally on Saturdays, some Sundays and some weekdays

Course Fee: S\$8,000

Different payment plans are available

*** Terms and conditions are stipulated by CPGCB**