I-BEST

Chemical Dependency Specialist

Students are introduced to basic concepts related to chemical dependency, its prevention and treatment, and assisting individuals with problems associated with chemical dependency.

The CDS program takes 3 quarters to complete and prepares ABE/ESL students for employment as Chemical Dependency Professional-Trainees or entry-level case manager. All 44 credits transfer directly to the CPTC Human Services program including AA-T or AAS-T degree options.

CDP-Trainees work under the guidance of a certified Chemical Dependency Professional (CDP) gaining proficiency in this field. Upon completion of 2500 employment hours, the CDP-T may sit for the state test to obtain CDP certification.

CDP-T Completion Employment & Wage Earnings

Employment options: Private, state, government or non-profit recovery centers, alcohol/drug Treatment Centers, counseling and community programs, hospitals, schools and other organizations dedicated to drug and alcohol rehabilitation.

Wage Earnings:

- Pierce County CDP-T: $21.00 hourly*
- King County CDP-T: $22.00 hourly*
- Washington CDP-T (median): $18.80 hourly**
- Case Aide/Manager: $11.00-16.00 hourly**

What is IBEST?

IBEST allows adult education students access to technical programs by combining basic skills instruction with career preparation. IBEST offers a team approach that supports student development.

I-Best is perfect for students who...

- are first-timers in college
- are returning to school after long absences
- are seeking their High School Equivalency (formerly GED®)
- want to combine ABE classes with technical training
- have attained GED® or high school completion, but appreciate additional supports in the classroom
- are adult language learners

New Cohort Starts Soon.
Contact Now for Information and Sign-Up.

Want to Learn More?
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* Workforce Explorer, Pierce County & King County, retrieved 27 Sept. 2013

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