Location

Winston-Salem, a diverse city of some 250,000, is located in the Piedmont area of North Carolina in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. We are a few hours from the beaches of the North Carolina coast, a few minutes from a lake or camping, and a little more than two hours from Asheville and the western North Carolina mountains. Our eclectic art and restaurant scene draws people from all over the region.

Our community has received numerous accolades for livability with continual interesting music and community activities in Wake Forest Innovation Quarter, farmer's market at Old Salem, the Winston-Salem Open, competitive ACC and CIAA sports and minor league baseball. Downtown Winston-Salem hosts many festivals and events such as Summer on Trade, Twin City Rib Fest, Pride Festival and Parade, River Run Film Festival, Fiesta, International Village Festival, Rock the Block, Yadkin Riverkeeper Tour and regular art gallery hops.

Graduate students can find affordable housing in and around the downtown area, or in one of the safe and affordable historic neighborhoods adjacent to the medical center.





Application Process

For full consideration of financial aid and for invitations to interview, submit your application as early as possible. Late applications will be considered while openings remain.

Checklist

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	Submission of application / June 1st deadline
	\$80 application fee
	Personal Statement
	GRE test report (unofficial acceptable for review)
	Transcripts (unofficial acceptable for review process)
	Three Letters of Recommendation

Financial Aid

A partial tuition scholarship is available sponsored by the Wake Forest University Graduate School. The Financial Aid Office offers assistance with applying for federal grants and loans at finaid@wakehealth.edu.

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MASTER OF SCIENCE *in*ADDICTION RESEARCH AND CLINICAL HEALTH (ARCH)

An innovative new master's degree program to educate future leaders in addiction research and services.





Preparing You for a Career in Addiction Research and Services

To best meet the critical needs for addiction care and treatment, the Addiction Research and Clinical Health (ARCH) Masters of Science program provides graduate training with a clinical application or neuroscience addiction research track at the master's level to prepare specialists in addiction services.

The mission of the ARCH program is to provide graduate training with two track options: a clinical application or a research application with emphasis on neuroscience. We:

- Provide evidence-based integrated care effectively and ethically
- Value diversity, life-long learning, self-awareness, and personal growth
- Champion empathy, multicultural competencies, and highest quality skills
- Base their care on treating others with dignity and respect

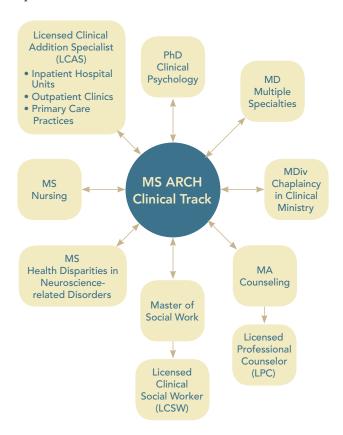
The innovative curriculum integrates human service and addiction studies in an academic medical center environment in order to prepare students at the highest level for addiction treatment careers.

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Career Possibilities

ARCH is designed to provide preparation for students from multiple disciplines and can enhance the likelihood for further advanced studies in psychology, counseling, social work, medicine, or nursing. It will provide opportunities for those who already hold an advanced degree and want to pursue further addiction specialized education as well.



ARCH integrates student learning and research experiences throughout our medical community. The program, considered the first of its kind, is perfectly suited for the innovative environment at Wake Forest and will help create a workforce that will make a direct impact on the addiction crises faced by our patients, our community and our nation.

Curriculum

Students are required to take at least 39 credit hours to obtain the MS degree in ARCH. Courses are selected to provide a comprehensive education in addictive disorders and 18 semester hours must be in core courses. Additional credits are required for the individual educational tracks—clinical or research. Students have unlimited electives from within the program and across the other programs in the graduate school, as approved by course faculty.

Completion of the program requires a minimum of one fulltime year. Students may select either the clinical or research track.

Clinical MS Requirements

The clinical track is designed to prepare students to seek the Licensed Clinical Addiction Specialist (LCAS) licensure upon completion and practice as a clinical addictions specialist in the state of North Carolina, since this MS ARCH program is approved as a Criteria C Program by the NC Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board (NCSAPPB) beginning with the first graduating class. Criteria C designation by the NCSAPPB provides for earlier licensure eligibility as a N.C. Licensed Clinical Addiction Specialist after graduation, one year of postgraduate supervised substance abuse counseling experience and successful completion of the written examination administered by NCSAPPB. Students must complete a minimum of 39 course credit hours, including core courses, a 150-hour practicum and a 600-hour internship. Students are required to complete a written document that summarizes the internship.

Students in the clinical track may opt to complete a concentration in Neuroscience and Addictive Disorders. This concentration is met through a minimum of nine additional credits of course work in courses selected from Neuroscience and Integrative Physiology & Pharmacology. The Neuroscience concentration will take at minimum an additional semester.

Research MS Requirements

The research track is designed to prepare students for future health professional programs and PhD study or entrance to the workforce. Students must complete a minimum of 39 course credit hours, including core courses, and six credit hours of a research internship under an advisor. Students are required to complete a written document that summarizes the research.