

Training Programs

Bachelor's Degree

Degree/Occupation

Education Institution/Degree Program

Social Work (BSW)

USD – School of Health Sciences/Social Work
Augustana University – Sharon Lust School of Education, Social Work
University of Sioux Falls (USF), Social Work
Oglala Lakota College
Sitting Bull College

Case Manager (B.A./B.S.)

Case Worker/Prevention Specialist (B.A./B.S.)

Human Services Worker/Social Services Worker (Children, Families, Disability, or Aging) (B.A./B.S.)

Augustana University – Social Sciences Division, Psychology
Black Hills State University, School of Behavioral Sciences, Human Services or Psychology
Mount Marty University – Social Sciences, Human Service, Social Services, Disability Services or Psychology
SDSU – School of Education and Human Sciences, Counseling and Human Development, Human Development and Family Studies or School of Psychology, Sociology and Rural Studies, Psychology
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Sisseton Wahpeton College, Behavioral Science
USF – Applied Sciences and Mental Health, Psychology

Addiction and Prevention Counselor/Case Manger (B.A.)

"Ihanktonwan Community College, Concentrations in Chemical Dependency, Mental Health, "

Nurse (LPN/RN)

Lake Area Tech, Mitchell Tech, Western Dakota Tech, Southeast Tech, SGU, OLC, SDSU, USD, USF, Mount Marty Univ, DWU, Augustana Univ – with Mental Health Certificate

Associate's Degree

Degree/Occupation

Education Institution/Degree Program

Case Worker/Social Services Assistant (Children, Families, Disability, or Aging) (A.A./A.S./A.S.W)

Southeast Technical College, Behavioral Mental Health Technician
Lake Area Technical College, Human Services Technician, CHW Certificate
Ihanktonwan Community College
Sisseton Wahpeton College, Addiction and Diversity Counseling or Behavioral Science
Sitting Bull College, Human Services Technician
Black Hills State University, Human Services

Certificate Programs

Degree/Occupation

Education Institution/Degree Program

Community Health Worker, Behavioral Health Settings (Certificate)

Southeast Technical College
Lake Area Technical College

WORKING IN

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

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Career Quiz

- Would you like to work in a field where one day is never the same as the next?
- Are you hoping to work somewhere that allows for flexibility and a work-life balance?
- Do friends seek you out to talk with them about concerns or worries?
- Do you enjoy listening to people and helping them overcome problems?
- Are you good at solving practical, real-world issues?
- Do you desire a career where you can make a meaningful impact?
- Can you see yourself working with patients/clients in a doctor's office, hospital, mental health clinic, or community-based setting?
- Do you want to build a career path that best fits you, starting with an entry level degree with an opportunity for career advancement?



If you answered yes, a career in behavioral health might be a good fit for you.



About the Work

Opportunity to help all ages – children, adolescents, adults, and older adults – with a variety of life stresses and problems

Work one-on-one with individuals or with groups of people in hospitals, clinics, and community-based settings

Offers a wide range of careers at all levels – entry, paraprofessional, practitioner, and professional



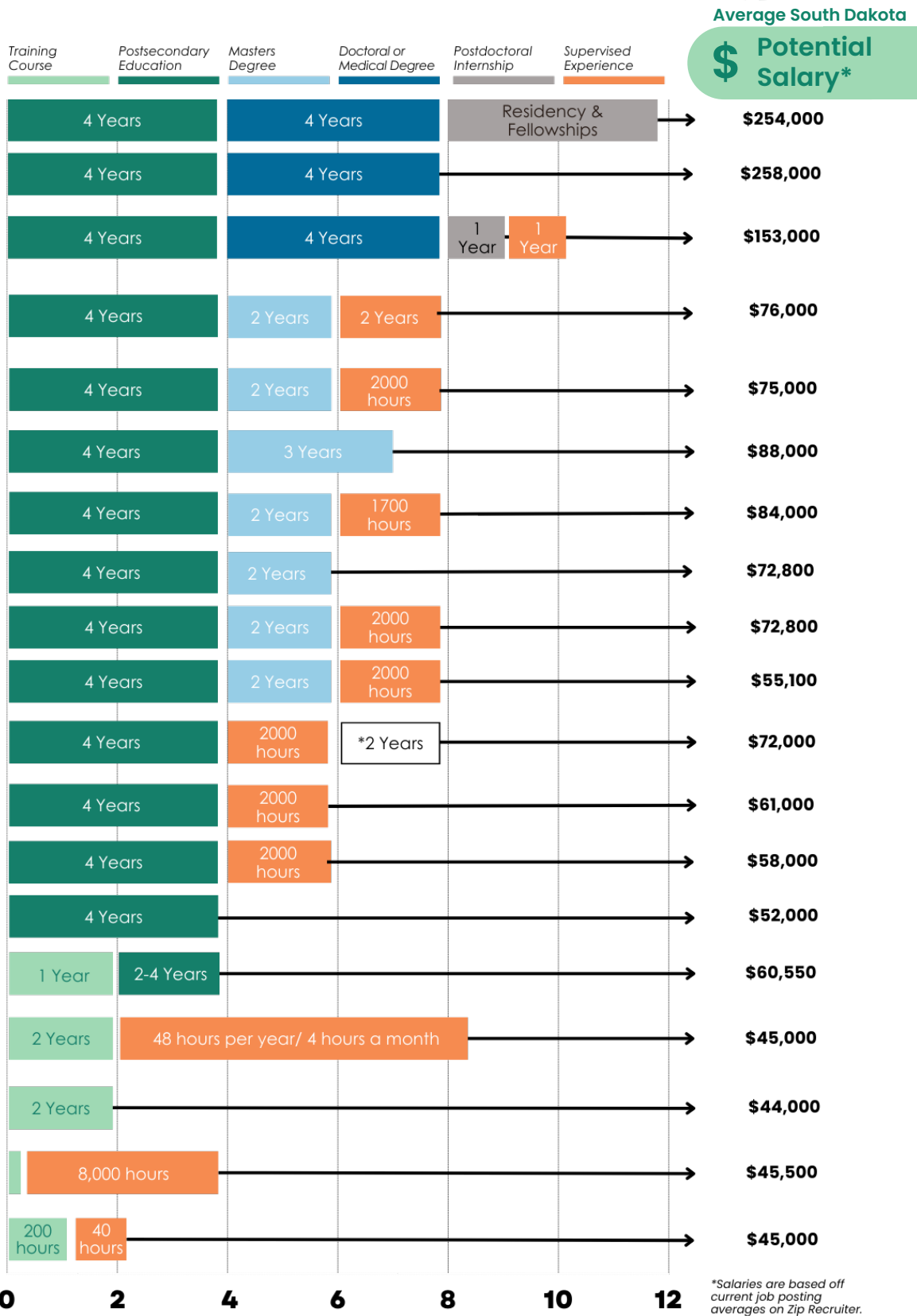
How do I get there?

There are a variety of careers to explore in the behavioral health field. Here are a few specific career education pathways available in South Dakota.

Occupation

- Psychiatrist (MD)
- Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (DNP)
- Licensed Psychologist (LP)
Includes min. 1,800 hours supervised internship and one year pre- and postdoctoral psychology practice
- Certified Social Worker Engaged in Private Independent Practice (CSW-PIP)
Must be licensed for 2+ years as a CSW
- Licensed Professional Counselor – Mental Health (LPC-MH)
Must have active LPC license
- School Psychologist
Graduate work (EDS) includes practicum in 2nd year and paid internship in 3rd year
- Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)
Graduate work includes practicum
- Certified Social Worker (CSW)
- Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)
- Certified School Counselor
- Licensed Addiction Counselor in Private Independent Practice (LAC-PIP)
- Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
**Supervision time required for independent private practice*
- Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS)
- Social Worker
Degree in social work or social welfare program
- Nurse/Mental Health
LPN – 1 year; RN – 204 years (Associate or Bachelors)
- Social Work Associate / Paraprofessional
Degree in non-social work field or associate of arts degree in human services
- Behavioral & Mental Health Technician
- Certified Addiction Counselor (CAC)
**Minimum three semester hours in specialized education courses*
- Community Health Worker (CHW)
Behavioral Health settings

Training Time in years



*Salaries are based off current job posting averages on Zip Recruiter.

Where do I go from here?

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You can get it all here in South Dakota! Check out the degrees below and where they are offered.

Doctoral Degree

Degree/Occupation	Education Institution/Degree Program
Psychiatrist (Ph.D)	University of South Dakota (USD) – Psychiatry – School of Medicine, Residency Program
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (DNP)	South Dakota State University (SDSU) – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner *Post Grad Certificate
Psychologist, Ph.D	USD – Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences
School Psychologist (Ph.D, Ed.S)	USD – School of Education, Counseling and Psychology in Education

Master's Degree

Degree/Occupation	Education Institution/Degree Program
Psychologist (M.A.)	USD – College of Arts and Sciences/Psychology
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	Mount Marty University, School of Nursing
Social Worker (MSW)/Mental Health Counselor	USD – School of Health Sciences/ Social Work Augustana University – Sharon Lust School of Education, Social Work
Clinical Mental Health Counselor (M.S./M.A.)	SDSU – School of Education and Human Sciences, Counseling and Human Development, Clinical Mental Health Specialization USD – School of Education, Counseling and Psychology in Education Northern State University
Marriage and Family Counselor (M.S.)	SDSU – School of Education and Human Sciences, Counseling and Human Development, Marriage and Family Counseling Specialization
Marriage and Family Therapist (M.A.)	Sioux Falls Seminary/Kairos University
Counselor (M.A.)	Sioux Falls Seminary/Kairos University
School Counselor (M.S./M.A.)	SDSU – College of Education and Human Sciences, Counseling and Human Resource Development – School Counseling Specialization USD – School of Education, Counseling and Psychology in Education, School Counseling K-12 Northern State University – K-12 School Counseling
Rehabilitation Counselor Specialization (M.S.)	SDSU – College of Education and Human Sciences, Counseling and Human Resource Development, Rehabilitation Counseling Specialization
Addiction and Prevention Counselor (M.A.)	USD – Graduate Addiction Counseling & Prevention, School of Health Sciences