

12STR Certification Comparisons

Requirements	Certification		
	12STR Facilitator	12STR Associate Facilitator	12STR Peer Coach
Prerequisites	Must have earned a master's degree from an accredited institution in counseling, ministry, education, or a related field.	Must have a certification from a state or national organization in counseling, addiction counseling, pastoral counseling or ministry.	No other certifications or training in counseling except those listed here and the 12STR Peer Counseling course. This certification is limited to working with peers in a coaching, not a counseling, capacity.
Education	Master's degree or higher in counseling or a closely related field such as ministry, education, or social work.	Bachelors Degree or equivalent	High School diploma
Experience	1. Complete 320 hours of clinical client work experience practicing 12STR over a minimum 24-month period. 2. Participate in one or more TECS-approved 12STR Consultation Groups or individual supervision for at least 12 hours over 12-24 months.	1. Complete 320 hours of clinical client work experience practicing 12STR over a minimum 24-month period. 2. Participate in one or more TECS-approved 12STR Consultation Groups or individual supervision for at least 12 hours over 12-24 months.	1. Practice introducing, educating, and coaching individual or group participants through the 12STR process for at least three hours per week on average for a minimum of 12 months, including teaching and facilitating Break EVERY Stinking Chain!® Healing for Hidden Wounds. 2. Participate in one or more TECS-approved 12STR Consultation Groups or individual supervision for at least 8 hours over 12 months.
Other Certifications/License	Licensed in the state or National certification as a counselor, pastoral counselor, social worker, or other mental health or ministry-related certification.	National or state certification as a counselor, addiction counselor, pastor, minister	None required

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12STR Workshops	Complete at least 36 credit hours of approved advanced classes administered by TECS (or a TECS-approved provider), including (but not restricted to): o Break Every Stinking Chain!® Workshop (required) o 12STR with addiction survivors o 12STR with families and couples o 12STR with Crisis managers, vicarious trauma, and near-term	Complete at least 36 credit hours of approved advanced classes administered by TECS (or a TECS-approved provider), including (but not restricted to): o Break Every Stinking Chain!® Workshop (required) o 12STR with addiction survivors o 12STR with families and couples o 12STR with Crisis managers, vicarious trauma, and near-term	3-day Basic training; 3-day Peer coaching workshop (or approved equivalent); 2-3 day Break Every Stinking Chain® workshop
Application process	1. Submit a completed 12STR Facilitator application with the current application fee, a copy of your bachelor's degree or equivalent, and your other counseling-related certifications.	1. Submit a completed 12STR Associate Facilitator application with the current application fee, a copy of your bachelor's degree or equivalent, and your other counseling-related certifications.	1. Submit a completed 12STR Peer Coach application with the current application fee.
	2. Sign an agreement to follow the ethical guidelines of the APA, ACA, or AACC.	2. Sign an agreement to follow the ethical guidelines of the APA, ACA, or AACC.	2. Sign an agreement to follow the ethical guidelines of the AACC.
	3. Submit one or two video or audio-recorded demonstrations of applying 12STR in counseling practice, demonstrating your knowledge of Phases 1 and 2 processing. <u>These should not have the face of the client(s) on video nor any identifying information on audio or video.</u>	3. Submit one or two video or audio-recorded demonstrations of applying 12STR in counseling practice, demonstrating your knowledge of Phases 1 and 2 processing. <u>These should not have the face of the client(s) on video nor any identifying information on audio or video.</u>	3. Arrange with TECS to demonstrate (through audio, video, or in-person) the correct use of 12STR Phases 1 and 2 with individuals, groups, or couples/families representing a minimum of 3, 1 to 1.5-hour recorded 12STR sessions or classes and submitting completed case presentations for each session.
	4. Complete an accompanying case presentation using the 12STR official Case Presentation forms. The TECS Certification Board evaluates case presentations and demonstrations.	4. Complete an accompanying case presentation using the 12STR official Case Presentation forms. The TECS Certification Board evaluates case presentations and demonstrations.	4. Complete the final 12STR Peer Coaching examination with an 80% or higher score.
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	5. Complete the 12STR Facilitator examination with a final 80% or higher score.	5. Complete the 12STR Associate Facilitator examination with a final 80% or higher score.	5. Provide one reference from a Certified 12STR Facilitator, Associate Facilitator, or supervisor certified in 12STR who is familiar with your work.
	6. Provide one reference from someone certified in 12STR and familiar with your work.	6. Provide one reference from someone certified in 12STR and familiar with your work.	6. Submit the completed application with the current fee to the TECS 12STR Certification Board.
	7. Submit the completed application with the current fee to the TECS 12STR Certification Board.	7. Submit the completed application with the current fee to the TECS 12STR Certification Board.	7. Receive approval from the TECS 12STR Certification Board
All Certifications last for 3 (three) years and must be updated.			
Application. Certification by Waiver or Endorsement: Alternatively, the creator and developer of 12STR®, Denise Colson, Ph.D., LPC, MAC, CPCS, CCS, and DAAETS may, at her discretion, issue a certification for experienced 12STR® Facilitators whom she has personally trained and observed.			
Maintaining Certification			
<p>Submit proof of completing 12 hours of TECS-approved 12STR® workshops and three TECS-approved 12STR® consultation groups as a presenting member (i.e., case presentations) every three years. Apply for recertification and pay the fee. Should it come to the board's attention that you are not following the 12STR® model correctly and refuse to correct your application or are using 12STR® in an unethical or harmful manner, the board has the right to revoke your 12STR® certification immediately. NOTE: These criteria may be changed and updated by the creator and applied to future applicants.</p>			