

Master of Arts Professional Counseling

The Master of Arts in Professional Counseling is a degree program for professionals. Experiences provide the foundation in psychology theory, scientific research, and clinical practice. In this context, students learn the different approaches and clinical techniques required for today's practitioners offering therapeutic services to individuals and groups. Also, a major goal of this program is to help prepare students for licensure in Professional Counseling in their resident state. Students who graduate from the MA in Professional Counseling Degree program will be prepared to do therapy in a church setting, private practice, governmental agency, and community agency. This program also prepares students for advanced studies in related fields. Students may also consider taking additional courses for a dual certification in Professional Counseling and Marriage and Family Therapy. Students interested in a dual certification should consult with the Dean of the School of Human Services.



DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses

PT 7300 Ethics and Professional Identity	3
FT 7306 Community and Social Systems	3
FT 7310 Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy	3
FT 7320 Human Development	3
FT 7321 Human Sexual Development	3
FT 7322 Theories of Personality Development	3
FT 7323 Marriage and Family Development	3
FT 7326 Social and Multicultural Diversity	3
FT 7331 Marital and Family Systems	3
FT 7332 Counseling for Abusive Relationships OR	3
FT 7333 Systematic Treatment of Substance Related Disorders	
FT 7335 Advanced Therapy	3
FT 7336 Basic Counseling Techniques/Helping Relationships	3
FT 7337 Group Counseling	3
FT 7340 Assessment of Individuals and Families	3
PT 7350 Lifestyle and Career Development	3
FT 7355 Psychopathology and Psychopharmacology	3
PT 7370 PC Practicum	3
PT 7371 PC Clinical Training I	3
PT 7372 PC Clinical Training II (Capstone Course)	3
RS 6339 Research and Evaluation	3

Total Required Hours for Master of Arts in Professional Counseling **60**

Students in some states may need one or more of the following:

FT 7302 Professional Ethics and the Law	3
FT 7334 Psychology of Grief, Death and Dying	3
FT 7373 MFT Clinical Training III (if needed)	3

Students interested in a dual certification should consult with the Dean of the School of Human Services. Special Note Related to Practicum and Clinical Courses: All Practicum and Clinical Training courses require face-to-face on-site clinical practice with the client(s). The experience must be performed under face-to-face supervision of an approved licensed supervisor. This experience should be conducted in the state in which the student will seek licensure.



ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Application with Fee
- Official transcript showing an earned four year Bachelor of Arts or Science degree from a regionally or selected nationally accredited institution.



CAREER SERVICES

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