

Counseling

School of Behavioral & Social Sciences

Degree Requirements

This degree program is offered in a hybrid format using face-to-face classes as well as Virtual Campus courses online.

■ **Leveling Courses:** Students must have completed the following coursework from an accredited college or university before being admitted to the MA in Counseling program.

- ☐ General Psychology
- ☐ Developmental Psychology, Child Development or Adolescent Development
- ☐ Research Methods or Statistics

■ **Core Courses:**

- ☐ Comprehensive Examination in Counseling (CNSL 5140)
- ☐ Lifespan Development (CNSL 5301)
- ☐ Research Methods and Data Analysis (CNSL/EDUC 5302)
- ☐ Social and Cultural Foundations in Counseling (CNSL 5303)
- ☐ Group Counseling with Adults and Children (CNSL 5304)
- ☐ Psychoeducational Testing and Appraisal (CNSL 5305)
- ☐ Career and Vocational Counseling and Guidance (CNSL 5306)
- ☐ Ethics and Legal Issues in Counseling (CNSL 5307)
- ☐ Substance Abuse Appraisal & Treatment (CNSL 5308)
- ☐ Counseling Skills and Techniques (CNSL 5313)

- ☐ Counseling Theories (CNSL 5314)
- ☐ Theories and Techniques in Marital and Family Therapy (CNSL 5315)
- ☐ Topics in Working with Children: Counseling, Play Therapy & the Exceptional Child (CNSL 5317)
- ☐ Topics in Adult Psychopathology and Emotionally Disturbed Children (CNSL 5318)
- ☐ Practicum in Counseling (CNSL 5360) - 75 hours
- ☐ Internship in Counseling (CNSL 5361) - 100 hours, 40 of which must be direct student/client contact hours.
- ☐ Advanced Internship in Counseling (CNSL 5362) - 125 hours, 60 of which must be direct client contact hours.

Licensure Requirements

- Upon completion of program, students are eligible to take the National Counselor Exam (NCE) and apply for initial licensure as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC).
- To pursue the advanced Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC), students must pass the state exam and then complete 3000 hours of supervised counseling upon graduation.
- School counselors who also want to sit for the LPC exam should do their practicum and internship in both school and community settings. Before beginning a practicum or internship in either a school or community setting, all students must have had the ethics course and have purchased their malpractice insurance.



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