

MASTER OF SCIENCE COUNSELING



COLLEGE OF
PSYCHOLOGY & COUNSELING



PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- ▶ Students will be able to demonstrate essential knowledge related to clinical case conceptualization, diagnosis, intervention and the use of community mental health resources, knowledge of counseling principles, and to write and articulate their personal theoretical model for counseling.
- ▶ Students will be able to demonstrate skills that reflect high standards of professionalism and commitment to ethical and professional behavior consistent with the standards of counseling and Christian principles.
- ▶ Students will be able to demonstrate clinical skills and the ability to apply effective therapeutic techniques to meet the diverse needs of individuals, children, families, couples and groups.
- ▶ Students will be able to critically evaluate and conduct clinical research related to all aspects of counseling to ensure the highest quality of therapeutic skill and contribution to the field of counseling.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students who earn a Master of Science in Counseling have the opportunity to work with a variety of clientele and clinical settings. Graduates may find employment in private practice settings, community mental health centers, and government agencies. They also have the advantage of applying their skills in education settings as professors, and branching out as clinical supervisors once they are licensed and meet the additional requirements in their respective state to supervise.

Private Practice

Hospitals

Rehabilitation Centers

Universities

Social Service Agencies

Community Mental Health Centers

Department of Mental Health



Total Units: 61



Courses: Online



Student / Teacher Ratio: 13:1



Changing careers at this point in my life was a risk and going back to school was scary! The experience and education I received from HIU more than prepared me for a career in counseling. Professors were available and helpful, giving practical and real-life examples. However, that was not all I received. Being in this program has helped me as an individual as well. I am a better friend, mom, and person.

- Jennie Page
MSC Graduate



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PLEASE SEE CURRENT CATALOG FOR ADDITIONAL COURSE OPTIONS.

PROGRAM CURRICULUM

PREREQUISITES (if required)

Abnormal Psychology	3
Community Mental Health	3

TOTAL UNITS: 6

CORE COURSES

Counseling Theories	3
Human Sexuality	1
Professional Ethics & Law	3
Research Methodology	3
Substance Abuse, Addiction, & the Family	3
Child Abuse, Detection, Intervention, & Treatment (7 hours)	0
Disaster, Trauma, & Abuse Response	2
Family Violence: Detection, Intervention, & Treatment	2
Clinical Counseling I	0
Lifespan Development	3
Interpersonal Communication & Therapeutic Qualities	3
Multicultural Perspectives in Counseling	3
Theories of Marriage & Family Therapy	3
Group Therapy	3
Treatment of Children	3
Psychopathology	3
Assessment in Counseling	3
Treatment of Older Adults	3
Treatment of Couples	2
Psychopharmacology	3
Career Counseling & Development	3
Supervised Practicum	3
Clinical Counseling II	0
Internship	6

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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Professional Development	50 hours
Clinical Training	700 hours*

* The 700 hours of clinical training includes 300 hours of direct client contact, of which 100 must be relational hours.

Licensing requirements differ from state to state. Students need to contact their State's Licensing Board to determine the requirements of their respective state.