

Master of Arts (M.A.) in Marriage, Couple and Family Counseling

Spring 2025 Approved Full-Time Academic Degree Plan

REQUIRED COURSES FOR SPRING COHORT

♦ Courses are provided in a cohort sequence.

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YEAR ONE			
Spring Semester			
UNIV LIB₁	Information Research and Resources	0	
COUN 500	Orientation to the Counseling Profession	3	
COUN 521	Counseling Skills & Techniques	3	
COUN 526	Theories of Counseling	3	
COUN 596A	Residency A (only required for students taking COUN 521 online) ²	0	
Summer Semester			
COUN 540	Human Growth & Development	3	
COUN 570	Multicultural Counseling	3	
Fall Semester			
COUN 561	Ethics, Professional Orientation & Legal Issues in Counseling	3	
COUN 538	Psychopathology & Diagnosis	3	
COUN 536	Career & Lifestyle Development	3	
YEAR TWO			
Spring Semester			
COUN 546	Marital & Couple Therapy	3	
COUN 535	Addiction Therapies for Individuals and Families	3	
COUN 554	Group Counseling	3	
COUN 596B	Residency B (only required for online students) ³	0	
Summer Semester			
COUN 532	Assessment Techniques in Counseling	3	
COUN 545	Concepts of Family Systems	3	
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Fall Semester			
COUN 547	Models of Family Therapy	3	
COUN 523	Practicum & Advanced Skills	3	
COUN 517	Research & Statistics	3	
YEAR THREE			
Spring Semester			
COUN 578	Counseling & Christian Thought	3	
COUN 593A	Internship in Marriage, Couple & Family Counseling	3	
Summer Semester			
COUN 548	Theories of Human Sexuality	3	
COUN 593B	Internship in Marriage, Couple & Family Counseling	3	
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	TOTAL HOURS	60	

Graduation Requirements: Complete a total of 60 credit hours. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0. Pass the Exit Exam (CPCE).

Note: 1 Must be completed during the first semester of enrollment. 2 Online students must take COUN 596A and COUN 521 concurrently. 3 Online students must take COUN 596B at the beginning of Year Two. Effective Fall 2024, students no longer need to take COUN 554 and COUN 596B concurrently.

The Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE), the qualifying Exit Exam for the MA degree, can be taken any time after a student has completed all coursework covering the eight CACREP common core areas.

Effective: Catalog Term Spring 2025