

Planned Program of Study: Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Student Name:	Faculty Advisor Mentor (FAM):
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Student State:

Students, please consult the [Clinical Mental Health Program Handbook](#) for assistance with completing your PPS to ensure appropriate sequencing of coursework and prerequisite requirements. Reach out to your Faculty Advisor Mentor (FAM) with any specific questions. Please follow the suggested course sequencing, as much as possible. This can be found on the second page of your degree completion plan. An example of the information you will need to fill in is provided below in the first row.

Please Note: {B & D Term=8 Weeks; A Term=16 Weeks (residential/synchronous); J Term (Intensives) 16 Weeks}

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisites & Course Notes	Recommended Semester of Study	Planned Semester & Term of Study
EXMP 999	Example Clinical Course	None	First Semester	Summer 2030 D Term

FIRST SEMESTER

COUC 503	Gate 1 – Counseling Foundations and Orientation to the Program	None	First Semester	
COUC 500	Orientation to Counselor Professional Identity and Function	None	First Semester	
COUC 501	Ethical and Legal Issues in Counseling	None	First Semester	
COUC 502	Human Growth and Development	None	First Semester	
COUC 504	Multicultural Counseling	None	First Semester	

SECOND SEMESTER

COUC 508	Gate 2 – Field Placement Preparation and Professional Readiness	COUC 503	Second Semester	
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COUC 505	Counseling Techniques *required on-campus intensive beginning Fall 2026	COUC 500, 501 Course offered in the J term; A term offered through Summer 2026	Second Semester	
COUC 506	Integration of Spirituality and Counseling	None	Second Semester	
COUC 510	Theories of Counseling	COUC 500, 501	Second Semester	
COUC 515	Research and Program Evaluation	Students must successfully complete three hours of undergraduate coursework in statistics. Those who did not complete this course in their undergraduate program may fulfill this requirement during the first two semesters in the program. Call Academic Advising for suggested Statistics Courses to meet this prerequisite.	Second Semester	
THIRD SEMESTER				
COUC 650	Gate 3 – Practicum Application and Fieldwork Readiness	COUC 503 and 508	Third Semester	
COUC 512	Group Counseling *required on-campus intensive starting Fall 2026	COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510 Course offered in the J term; A term offered through Summer 2026	Third Semester	

COUC 521	Assessment Techniques in Counseling	COUC 500, 501, 502 504,505, 510	Third Semester	
COUC 522	Career Development and Counseling	COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510	Third Semester	
COUC 546	Psychopathology	COUC 500, 501, 504, 510	Third Semester	

FOURTH SEMESTER

COUC 685	Gate 4 - Internship I Application and Career Readiness	COUC 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 508, 510, 512, 515, 521, 546, 650	Fourth Semester	
COUC 601	Theory of Family Systems	COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510	Fourth Semester	
COUC 667	Clinical Diagnosis and Treatment Planning	COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510, 512, 515, 521, 546	Fourth Semester	
COUC 691	Substance Abuse: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Prevention	COUC 501, 504, 505, 510, 521, 546	Fourth Semester	

COUC 692	Practicum	COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510, 512, 515, 521, 546, and 667 (667 can be taken concurrently)	Fourth Semester	
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FIFTH SEMESTER

COUC 690	Gate 5 – Internship II Application and Future Planning	COUC, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 508, 510, 512, 515, 521,546, 650, 667, 685	Fifth Semester	
COUC 604	Crisis Counseling	COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510, 512, 521, 546	Fifth Semester	
COUC 670	Comprehensive Exam – CPCE	Counseling Comprehensive Exam prerequisites: COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546 *COUC 670/671 must be taken in the same semester	Fifth Semester	
COUC 671	Comprehensive Exam - Integration	Counseling Comprehensive Exam prerequisites: COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 506, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546 *COUC 670/671 must be taken in the same semester	Fifth Semester	

COUC 693	Internship 1	COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546, 667, 692	Fifth Semester	
SIXTH SEMESTER				
COUC 694	Internship 2	COUC, 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546, 667, 692, 693	Sixth Semester	
Elective	Choose from any of the other level 500 – 700 courses in our programs		Sixth Semester	