

Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy (M.A.)

2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

EARLY CO	ORE COURSES (21 hours) ¹	Hrs	Sem	Grade					
CEFS 500	Orientation to Counselor Profession	3							
CEFS 501	Ethical & Legal Issues in Counseling	3							
CEFS 502	Human Growth & Development	3							
CEFS 504	Multicultural Counseling	3							
CEFS 505	Counseling Techniques & the Helping Relationship ²	3							
CEFS 506	Integration of Spirituality & Counseling	3							
CEFS 510	Theories of Counseling	3							
ADVANCE	D CORE COURSES (18 hours)								
CEFS 512	Group Counseling ^{2,3}	3							
CEFS 515	Research & Program Evaluation	3							
CEFS 521	Assessment Techniques in Counseling	3							
CEFS 522	Career Development & Counseling	3							
CEFS 546	Psychopathology	3							
CEFS 601	Theories of Family Systems	3							
SPECIALIZATION COURSES (18 hours)									
CEFS 602	Assessment, Diagnosis & Treatment Planning in Family Counsel.	3							
CEFS 603	Advanced Couple & Marital Counseling	3							
CEFS 620	Counseling Children, Adolescents, & Families	3							
CEFS 670	Comprehensive Exam-CPCE ⁴	Pass							
CEFS 671	Comprehensive Exam-Integration ⁴	Pass							
CEFS 698	Counseling Practicum	3							
CEFS 699	Counseling Internship ⁵	3							
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ELECTIVE	CCOURSE (3 hours)								
Choose one of the following:									
CEFS 610	Human Sexuality	3							
CEFS 691	Substance Abuse: Diagnosis, Treatment & Prevention ⁶	3							
	TOTAL HOURS	60		-					

Graduation Requirements

Complete 60 hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-) No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-) Successful completion of Comprehensive Exam

Liberty University course work that is more than 10 years old may not be applied towards this degree. Students are required to repeat the course if it has exceeded the age limit Degree must be completed within 7 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Offered in Online Format

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All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Students must successfully complete three hours of undergraduate course work in statistics. Those who did not complete this course during their undergraduate program may fulfill this prerequisite requirement during the first two semesters of the program

²Course offered in Synchronous Online Format

³A background check will be required

⁴Counseling Comprehensive Exam prerequisites: CEFS 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 506, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546, 601, and 602

⁵Course may be taken a third time

6CEFS 691 is required by Virginia Licensing Board for LMFT

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester CEFS 500 CEFS 501 CEFS 502	Total	3 3 3 9	Second Semester CEFS 504 CEFS 505 ¹ CEFS 510	Total	3 3 3 9
Third Semester CEFS 506 CEFS 512 ¹ CEFS 515	Total	3 3 3 9	Fourth Semester CEFS 521 CEFS 546 CEFS 601	Total	3 3 3 9
Fifth Semester CEFS 522 CEFS 602 CEFS 698	Total	3 3 3 9	Sixth Semester CEFS 610 or 691* CEFS 699 CEFS 603 or 620 CEFS 670 ² CEFS 671 ²	Total	3 3 0 0 9
Seventh Semester CEFS 603 or 620 CEFS 699	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6			

Notes

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*Remember: The M.A. Marriage and Family Therapy program meets the Virginia Board of Counseling licensure requirements for Marriage and Family Therapist. Three hours of course work in Substance Abuse Diagnosis and Treatment is required by the Virginia licensure board.

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