UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.A.)

2021-2022 Degree Completion Plan

EARLY CO	<u>Hrs</u>	Sem	Grade					
COUC 500	Orientation to Counselor Profession Identity & Function	3						
COUC 501	Ethical & Legal Issues in Counseling	3						
COUC 502	Human Growth & Development	3						
COUC 504	Multicultural Counseling	3						
COUC 505	Counseling Techniques & the Helping Relationship ¹	3						
COUC 506	Integration of Spirituality & Counseling	3						
COUC 510	Theories of Counseling	3						
ADVANCED CORE COURSES (18 hours)								
COUC 512	Group Counseling ^{1,2}	3						
COUC 515	Research & Program Evaluation ³	3						
COUC 521	Assessment Techniques in Counseling	3						
COUC 522	Career Development & Counseling	3						
COUC 546	Psychopathology	3						
COUC 601	Theories of Family Systems	3						
SPECIALIZATION COURSES (18 hours)								
COUC 604	Crisis Counseling	3						
COUC 667	Clinical Diagnosis & Treatment Planning	3						
CEFS 670	Comprehensive Exam-CPCE ⁴	Pass						
CEFS 671	Comprehensive Exam-Integration ⁴	Pass						
COUC 691	Substance Abuse: Diagnosis, Treatment & Prevention	3						
COUC 698	Counseling Practicum	3						
COUC 699	Counseling Internship ⁵	3						
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ELECTIVE	COURSES (3 hours)							

Choose one 500-700 level elective from the following: CEFS, COUC, CRIS, LIFC & SUBS

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 3.0 GPA

No more than 2 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 Resident and Online Format

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Course offered in Intensive Format

²A background check will be required.

³Students must successfully complete three hours of undergraduate coursework 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.

⁴Counseling Comprehensive Exam prerequisites: COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 506, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546, 667

⁵COUC 699 must be taken a minimum of two times, and may be taken a third time Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester			Second Semester		
COUC 500		3	COUC 504		3
COUC 501		3	COUC 505		3
COUC 502		<u>3</u>	COUC 510		3
	Total	9		Total	9
Third Semester		-	Fourth Semester		-
COUC 512		3	COUC 515		3
COUC 521		3	COUC 522		3
COUC 546		<u>3</u>	COUC 667		<u>3</u>
	Total	9		Total	9
Fifth Semester			Sixth Semester		
COUC 506		3	COUC 601		3
COUC 604		3	CEFS 670 ¹		0
COUC 698		<u>3</u>	CEFS 671 ¹		0
	Total	9	COUC 691		3
			COUC 699 ²		3
				Total	9
Seventh Semester					
COUC 699 ²		3			
Elective ^{3, 4}		3 <u>3</u>			
LIEUTVE	Total	<u>5</u> 6			
	Total	0			
Notes					
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510, 512, 515, 521, 522					
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⁴COUC 602, 603, 610, 611 & 620 can be used to fulfill the 60 hour requirement for LPC in VA. These courses can be taken after the 4th semester (as long as COUC 601 is Completed by this time), and may or may not be one-week intensives