

<b><u>EARLY CORE COURSES (21 hours)</u></b>		<b><u>Hrs</u></b>	<b><u>Sem</u></b>	<b><u>Grade</u></b>
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/Helping Relationship	3	_____	_____
COUC 506	Integration of Spirituality & Counseling	3	_____	_____
COUC 510	Theories of Counseling	3	_____	_____
<b><u>ADVANCED CORE COURSES (18 hours)</u></b>				
COUC 512	Group Counseling <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
COUC 515	Research & Program Evaluation <sup>2</sup>	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	_____	_____
<b><u>SPECIALIZATION COURSES (18 hours)</u></b>				
CEFS 670	Comprehensive Exam-CPCE <sup>3</sup>		_____	_____
CEFS 671	Comprehensive Exam-Integration <sup>3</sup>		_____	_____
COUC 602	Assessment, Diagnosis, & Treatment Planning in Marriage & Family Counseling	3	_____	_____
COUC 603	Advanced Couple & Marital Counseling	3	_____	_____
COUC 620	Counseling Children, Adolescents, & Families	3	_____	_____
COUC 698	Counseling Practicum	3	_____	_____
COUC 699	Counseling Internship <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
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<b><u>MARRIAGE &amp; FAMILY ELECTIVES (3 hours)</u></b>				
<i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>				
COUC 610	Human Sexuality	3	_____	_____
COUC 691	Substance Abuse: Diagnosis, Treatment & Prevention <sup>5</sup>	3	_____	_____
		<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>60</b>	

#### Graduation Requirements

Complete 60 total 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 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 Resident Format

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#### Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

<sup>1</sup>A background check will be required.

<sup>2</sup>Students must successfully complete three hours of undergraduate course work in statistics. Those who did not complete these courses in their undergraduate programs may fulfill this prerequisite requirement during the first two semesters of the program

<sup>3</sup>Counseling Comprehensive Exam Prerequisites: COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 506, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546, 601, & CEFS 602

<sup>4</sup>Course may be taken a third time

<sup>5</sup>Three hours of course work in diagnosis and treatment of addictive behaviors is required in Virginia for LMFTs

*Suggested Course Sequence on second page*

Effective: Catalog Term 2022-40

**SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE**

First Semester		Second Semester	
COUC 500	3	COUC 504	3
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COUC 502	<u>3</u>	COUC 510	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
COUC 506	3	COUC 521	3
COUC 512	3	COUC 546	3
COUC 515	<u>3</u>	COUC 601	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Fifth Semester		Sixth Semester	
COUC 602	3	Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
COUC 522	3	COUC 699 <sup>3</sup>	3
COUC 698	<u>3</u>	COUC 603 or 620	3
Total	9	CEFS 670 <sup>1</sup>	0
		CEFS 671 <sup>1</sup>	<u>0</u>
		Total	9

Seventh Semester	
COUC 603 or 620	3
COUC 699 <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Counseling Comprehensive Exam prerequisites: COUC 500, 501, 502, 504, 505, 506, 510, 512, 515, 521, 522, 546, 601, and 602

<sup>2</sup>Choose one of the following courses: COUC 610 or 691\*\*

<sup>3</sup>Course may be taken a third time

**\*\*Remember:** The M.A. Marriage and Family Counseling program is designed to meet the Virginia Board of Counseling educational requirements for license as a Marriage and Family Therapist. Additionally, the Virginia Board of Counseling requires 3 hours of course work in diagnosis and treatment of addictive behaviors for LMFTs.