

Counseling  
Program Alteration  
Community Counseling Concentration to Clinical Mental Health Counseling Concentration

<b>Current Curriculum: Community Counseling</b>	<b>Proposed Curriculum: Clinical Mental Health Counseling</b>	<b>Rationale for Change</b>
<b>Overall Changes</b>		
Concentration Title: Community Counseling	Concentration Title: Clinical Mental Health Counseling	New title is consistent with CACREP accreditation of this program area. Tricare and Veterans Administration rulings over the past 2 years require that counselors who can be covered by this insurance status or work with veterans must graduate from Clinical Mental Health Counseling programs.
48 credit hours	60 credit hours	Accreditation and state licensure requirements.
<b>Core Curriculum Changes</b>		
30 credit hours	27 credit hours	Allows room for electives in all COUN concentrations.
COUN 531: Counseling Across the Lifespan	COUN 531: Counseling Across the Lifespan	
COUN 552: Introduction to Professional and Ethical Issues in Counseling	COUN 552: Introduction to Professional and Ethical Issues in Counseling	
COUN 577: Counseling Theories	COUN 577: Counseling Theories	
COUN 579: Appraisal of the Individual	COUN 579: Appraisal of the Individual	
COUN 582: Career Counseling	COUN 582: Career Counseling	
COUN 584: Group Counseling: Theory and Practice	COUN 584: Group Counseling: Theory and Practice	
COUN 588: Counseling Techniques	COUN 588: Counseling Techniques	
COUN 595: Multicultural Counseling and Development	COUN 595: Multicultural Counseling and Development	
COUN 652: Introduction to Marriage, Couples, and Family Counseling		Course removed from core curriculum to allow flexibility in all COUN concentrations.

		COUN 652 is a require course in the Clinical Mental Health Counseling concentration requirements.
EDFD 503: Methods of Research	EDFD 503: Methods of Research	
<b>Practicum</b>		
COUN 624: Counseling Practicum (3 credit hours)	COUN 624: Counseling Practicum (3 credit hours)	No changes.
<b>Concentration Requirements and Electives</b>		
9 credit hours	24 credit hours	Allows for completion of 60 credit hour program for accreditation and licensure requirements.
COUN 604: Case Management and DSM Diagnosis in Counseling	COUN 604: Clinical Diagnosis and Assessment	Course alteration submitted: title change and scope of course altered.
COUN 653: Selected Topics: Clinical Mental Health Counseling	COUN 605: Clinical Mental Health Counseling	New course proposal submitted: consistent course material and scope as selected topics; the proposal will make this a complete and required course.
	COUN 540: Introduction to Substance Abuse Counseling	Course previously listed as an approved elective, now required for concentration given scope of mental health counselors' responsibilities. Course alteration submitted for title change.
	COUN 652: Introduction to Marriage, Couples, and Family Counseling	Course moved from core curriculum for all concentrations to concentration requirement for Clinical Mental Health Counseling.
	COUN 666: Advanced Ethical and Legal Issues in Counseling	Course added to concentration requirements given scope of mental health counselors' responsibilities and need for increased attention to ethical and legal issues. Course alteration submitted for changes in course title and scope.

	COUN 668: Supervision, Consultation, and Leadership	New course proposal submitted: addressed areas required by accreditation standards and scope practice for clinical mental health counselors.
One approved elective for 3 credit hours	Two approved electives for 6 credit hours	Increased course offerings to fulfill 60 credit hour requirement. Additional courses listed as approved electives to offer students more options to develop specialized areas of practice.
<b>Internship</b>		
COUN 654: Internship in Counseling I	COUN 654: Internship in Counseling I	No changes.
COUN 674: Internship in Counseling II	COUN 674: Internship in Counseling II	No changes.
<b>Comprehensive Examination (no changes)</b>		