

**Counselor Education Program** 

School of Psychology and Counseling Report 2018-2019

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#### Curriculum

Fall 2018 was the first semester of the M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Below is the curriculum for this degree:

CORE CURRICULUM (45 HOURS)

COUN 5023 - Counseling Skills and Techniques COUN 5033 - Ethical, Legal & Professional Standards in Counseling COUN 5043 - Psychopathology: Diagnosis & Treatment of Mental Disorders COUN 5053 - Research Methods COUN 5073 - Lifespan Human Development COUN 5083 - Counseling Theories and Family Therapies for Professional Counselors **COUN 5093 - Counseling Diverse Populations** COUN 5133 - Psychological Testing, Clinical Appraisal and Diagnostic Evaluation in Counseling COUN 5153 - Psychopharmacology COUN 5203 - Group Counseling Methods COUN 5223 - Career Counseling and Lifestyle Development COUN 5593 - Applied Lab, Ethics, & Treatment Planning COUN 6013 - Counseling Practicum COUN 6023 - Counseling Internship I COUN 6033 - Counseling Internship II CLINICAL THEOLOGY COURSEWORK (6 HOURS)

<u>COUN 5101 - Integrative Theology for Counselors I</u> <u>COUN 5201 - Integrative Theology for Counselors II</u> <u>COUN 5301 - Integrative Theology for Counselors III</u> <u>COUN 5663 - Trauma and Theology in the Developmental Context</u> **SPECIALIZATION (15 HOURS)** 

<u>COUN 5113 - Human Sexuality & Sex Therapy</u> <u>COUN 5123 - Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy</u>

COUN 5383 - Family Assessment

COUN 5583 - Addictions Counseling

COUN 5091 - Couples Therapy and Assessment I

COUN 5191 - Couples Therapy and Treatment Planning II

COUN 5291 - Couples Therapy and Treatment Planning III

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 66

We added more prerequisites to COUN 5593 Applied Lab so students are better prepared for the CPCE as well as for practicum and internships.

## Program Evaluation

Program	Knowledge	Skills	Disposition
Objectives	Grades in:	Grades in:	CCS-R
Explain and implement	COUN 5033	COUN 5133	assessment
ethical decision	COUN 5033	COUN 5155	assessment
making skills	COUN 6013	COUN 5593	
making skins	COUN 6023	COUN 5393 COUN 6013	Individual
	COUN 6033	COUN 6023	practicum and
	COON 0033	COUN 6033	internship
	CPCE scores	Practicum and	evaluations
	CFCE Scores	Internship Case	evaluations
		Presentation	
		Presentation	
		Individual	
		practicum and	
		internship	
		evaluations	
Acquire and	Grades in:	Grades in:	CCS-R
apply counseling	COUN 5383	COUN 5023	assessment
skills, clinical	COUN 5133	COUN 5593	
assessment,	COUN 5023	COUN 6013	Individual
testing, and		COUN 6023	practicum and
intervention in	CPCE scores	COUN 6033	internship
counseling cases		Individual	evaluations
C		practicum and	
		internship	
		evaluations	
Analyze and	Grades in:	Grades in:	CCS-R
apply theories	COUN 5083	COUN 5083	assessment
and skills related	COUN 5203	COUN 5203	
to individual,			Individual
couples, and	CPCE scores	COUN 5191	practicum and
group counseling			internship
		COUN 5291	evaluations
		Individual	
		practicum and	
		internship	
		evaluations	

The below chart illustrates how program objectives are evaluated:

Davalan and	COUN 5023	COUN 5593	CCS-R
Develop and describe a	COUN 5023 COUN 5083	COUN 3393	
	COUN 5085 COUN 5593	Individual	assessment
philosophy of	COUN 3393		Ea aviltar
counseling and		practicum and	Faculty
professional		internship	Interview
identity		evaluations	T 1' ' 1 1
Demonstrate	Grades in:	Grades in:	Individual
understanding of	COUN 5113	COUN 5113	practicum and
contemporary	COUN 5583	COUN 5583	internship
issues, which		COUN 6013	evaluations
include but not		COUN 6023	
limited to		COUN 6033	Practicum and
gender, sexual		Practicum and	Internship Case
orientation,		Internship Case	Presentations
addiction, and		Presentations	
violence in			
treatment of			
individuals,			
couples, and			
families			
Understand the	Grades in:	Grades in:	Practicum and
interpersonal	COUN 5563	COUN 5563	Internship Case
aspects of	COUN 5123	COUN 5123	Presentations
theodicy, the	COUN 5593		
dynamics of	COUN 6013		
spiritual			
direction, and			
means by which			
to address			
spirituality in			
counseling			
Demonstrate	Grades in:	Grades in:	CCS-R
knowledge and	COUN 5073	COUN 5073	assessment
skills of	COUN 5093	COUN 5093	Individual
culturally,			practicum and
developmentally,	CPCE scores	Individual	internship
and ethically		practicum and	evaluations
sensitivity		internship	
counseling		evaluations	
Explain research	Grades in:	Grades in:	CCS-R
methodologies	COUN 5053	COUN 5153	assessment
and program	COUN 5153	COUN 5133	
evaluation and	COUN 5133		
its application to	COUN 6023		
individual,	1	1	

couple, and	CPCE scores	
family		
counseling		

In reviewing the outcomes for 2018-2019, a revision was made to COUN 5093 Counseling Diverse Populations. Students were not meeting the clinical skills required for this course; therefore, COUN 5023 Counseling Skills was added as a prerequisite.

Students were not meeting the clinical skills required for COUN 5083 Counseling Theories; therefore, COUN 5023 Counseling Skills was added as a prerequisite.

These decisions were made by the Counselor Education Program faculty, reviewed by the Advisory Council, and approved by the Dean of Psychology and Counseling.

#### Assessments

Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE): Eleven students completed the CPCE Fall 2018, nine students completed the CPCE Spring 2019, and 12 students completed the CPCE Summer 2019.

Content Area	National	National	LETU	LeTourneau
	Participants= n	Mean Non	Participants= n	Mean
		Exit		
Human Growth	52	11.81	11	10.9
and				
Development				
Social and	52	11.08	11	9.1
Cultural				
Diversity				
Helping	52	13.58	11	9.9
Relationships				
Group Work	52	11.54	11	11.0
Career	52	9.19	11	7.7
Development				
Assessment	52	10.73	11	11.1
Research and	52	11.69	11	10.9
Program				
Evaluation				
Professional	52	11.59	11	10.7
Orientation and				
Ethical Practice				
Total	52	91.21	11	81.2

Fall 2018 Results

Content Area	National Participants= n	National Mean Non Exit	LETU Participants= n	LeTourneau Mean
Human Growth and Development	977	9.8	9	8.7
Social and Cultural Diversity	977	9.7	9	8.8
Helping Relationships	977	10.9	9	9.6
Group Work	977	10.3	9	8.8
Career Development	977	10.5	9	8.8
Assessment	977	10.8	9	9.4
Research and Program Evaluation	977	10.8	9	9.3
Professional Orientation and Ethical Practice	977	11.3	9	10
Total	977	84.1	9	73.3

## Spring 2019 Results

### Summer 2019 Results

Content Area	National	National	LETU	LeTourneau
	Participants= n	Mean Non	Participants= n	Mean
		Exit		
Human Growth	717	9.1	12	8.8
and				
Development				
Social and	717	9.3	12	8.7
Cultural				
Diversity				
Helping	717	10.2	12	9.4
Relationships				
Group Work	717	9.6	12	8.9
Career	717	10.1	12	10.8
Development				

Assessment	717	10.1	12	9.3
Research and	717	10.1	12	9.4
Program				
Evaluation				
Professional	717	10.8	12	9.9
Orientation and				
Ethical Practice				
Total	717	79.3	12	75.2

Our students fell below the national mean. Additional prerequisites were added to COUN 5593 to better prepare students for the CPCE and practicum.

**Counselor Competencies Scale**—**Revised (CCS-R)** is completed by on-site supervisors for practicum and internship courses. Sections of this scale are also included in the grading rubric for the course Counseling Skills and Techniques to evaluate students' basic counseling skills and techniques demonstrated in multiple role plays. Sections of this scale are also included in the grading rubric for Applied Lab, Ethics, and Treatment Planning course. This rubric is used during the student's interview with the School of Psychology and Counseling Graduate Faculty, Director of LeTourneau Center for Counseling, and the Dean of Psychology and Counseling. Sections of this scale are also integrated into the grading rubric for group supervision for practicum and internship courses. This rubric is completed by the faculty group supervisor.

In reviewing the completed CCS-R, students scored well particularly with therapeutic environment (empathy and respect) and reflecting feelings. Comments common by site supervisors were for students to work on self-confidence and confrontation skills. These comments are typical; however, the core faculty are reviewing ways to help students with verbalizing client inconsistencies and discrepancies.

**Course Evaluations** are conducted at the end of each semester for every course. Students have an opportunity to evaluate both the course and the instructor by utilizing an online evaluation. This evaluation uses a 5-point Likert scale. Students also have an opportunity to write comments and suggestions about the course and the instructor. This information is used to evaluate the courses and to help determine if revisions are needed.

Students in the M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling program completed COUN 5023 Counseling Skills and Techniques, COUN 5043 Psychopathology, COUN 5033 Ethics and Professional Standards, COUN 5083 Counseling Theories, and/or COUN 5383 Family Assessment. The results of the evaluations are as follows:

COUN 5023 Counseling Skills and Techniques: **4.0**. The comments stated included the need for specific feedback from instructor and the midterm and final exams were too hard.

COUN 5033 Ethics: 4.8 The primary comment was "too many reading assignments."

COUN 5043 Psychopathology: **4.8** The primary comments stated that this course was beneficial.

COUN 5083 Counseling Theories: **4.9** The primary comments stated that the role play exercises were helpful in understanding how to implement theories and specific techniques related to the theory.

COUN 5383 Family Assessment: **4.9** The primary comments stated that this course gave them a better understanding of assessment and how to use genograms.

**Student Remediation** is a means of helping students improve in specific areas. For this academic year, seven graduate counseling students were reported for plagiarism. Remediation plans were created for each student. A remediation plan was also created for a practicum student because of ethical concerns and violations. The plan included attending an ethics seminar related to Texas LPC rules.

**Student Professional Dispositions and Behavior** are also assessed at various times throughout the program. In addition to academic success, it is important to assess and evaluate a student's professional behavior, ethics, emotional stability, openness to feedback, and knowledge and adherence to policies and procedures of the School of Psychology and Counseling, the university, and the practicum and internship sites. A remediation plan was developed for one practicum student who demonstrated difficulty in receiving constructive feedback from the faculty supervisor and the onsite supervisor.

**Program Outcomes and Student Learning Outcomes** are evaluated at the end of each academic year. The university requires each academic area to provide an Institutional Effectiveness (IE) report. This report provides the program outcomes, course alignment, measurement tool, data collection process, target level of performance, results and modifications. This data is discussed with the graduate faculty of the School of Psychology and Counseling and the Dean. The students in the M.A. CMHC program took COUN 5043 Psychopathology, COUN 5023 Counseling Skills and Techniques, COUN 5383 Family Assessment, COUN 5083, and/or COUN 5033. The SLOs were met for each of these courses; however, the decision was made to add COUN 5023 as a prerequisite to COUN 5083 Counseling Theories.

#### Student Demographics

For Fall 2018, we had 23 students enrolled in M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Of the 23 students, 22 are female. Seventeen enrolled as part time and 6 enrolled as full time. The below chart illustrates the ethnicity of the 23 students:

Ethnicity	Fall 2018
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1
Asian	0
Black/African American	9
Hispanic	1
International	0
Two or More Races	2
Unknown/Not Reported	0
White	10
Total	23

2018-2019 Enrollment in The School of Psychology and Counseling:

Major	Title	Fall 2018	Spring 2019	Summer 2019
CMHC	MA Clinical	23	32	41
	Mental Health			
	Counseling			
LPC	M.A.	115	94	75
	Counseling—			
	LPC			
LMFT	MA Counseling	2	3	1
	LMFT			
LCDT	M.A.	7	4	2
	Counseling—			
	Dual			
	Concentration			
Total Enrollment		147	133	119

#### 2018-2019 Matriculates

Major	Title	Fall 2018	Spring 2019	Summer 2019
CMHC	MA Clinical	21	8	13
	Mental Health			
	Counseling			
LPC	M.A.	10	-	-
	Counseling—			
	LPC			

LMFT	MA Counseling LMFT	1	-	-
LCDT	M.A. Counseling— Dual Concentration	-	-	-
Total		32	8	13

#### Completions

Major	Title	Fall 2018	Spring 2019	Summer 2019
CMHC	MA Clinical	-	-	-
	Mental Health			
	Counseling			
LPC	M.A.	9	15	8
	Counseling-			
	LPC			
LMFT	MA Counseling	-	-	-
	LMFT			
LCDT	M.A.	3	-	-
	Counseling-			
	Dual			
	Concentration			
Total		12	15	8

#### Job Placement

We continue to work on collecting data regarding job placement. About 90% of our students work at least part time. Students work in a variety of settings including schools, nonprofit agencies, insurance companies, and mental health field.

### <u>NCE</u>

Based on the data received from alumni, the passing rate on the NCE is 95%. We had one student in the past three years to not pass on the third attempt.

We continue to revise surveys and re-evaluate the method of distributing surveys with the goal of a better return rate. We are also working with the office of Career Development to help distribute and gather data.