Master of Science in Counseling Psychology
Professional Ministry Concentration
50 units

Course Requirements

Course #		Course Title	Units
Core Requirements (29 units)			
PSY	500	Diversity Issues in Counseling Psychology	3
PSY	505	MFT Counseling Theory	3
PSY	515	Human Sexuality	2
PSY	525	MFT Counseling Techniques	3
PSY	535	Advanced Psychopathology	3
PSY	545	MFT Counseling: Child and Adolescent	3
PSY	580	Family Therapy I	3
PSY	585	Family Therapy II	3
PSY	597a	Child Abuse and Neglect: Diagnosis and Treatment	2
PSY	598a	Chemical Dependency: Diagnosis and Treatment	2
PSY	598c	Aging and Mental Health	2
Professional Ministry Concentration Requirements (21 units)			
CBS	500	Congregational & Professional Counseling Applications	3
CBS	510	Law & Ethics for Church Based Counselors	2
CBS	520	Human Development through the Biblical Life Cycle	3
CBS	530	Congregation as a Healing Community	3
CBS	540	A Theology of Helping People	3
CBS	545	Survey of church Based Counseling Programs	3
CBS	546	Relational Counseling Techniques	3
PSY	597b	HIV and AIDS Counseling	1*
PSY	597c	Domestic Violence	1*

*Professional Ministry students to select 1 of these 2 courses at anytime offered

Total Units Required **50**

CBS 500 Congregational and Professional Counseling Applications (3)
A comparison and analysis of the foundations, theories, scope of practice and applications of Professional MFT vs. Pastoral and Church Based Counseling. Emphasis will be toward an understanding of the differences, complementary aspects, and possible models for mutual referrals and cooperation between these two approaches.

CBS 510 Law and Ethics for Church Based Counselors (2-3)
An examination and explanation of current laws and ethical issues affecting Pastoral Counselors and Church Based Counseling applications. Number of units required specified in each program. *(M.S./Professional Ministry students must enroll for 2 units).*

CBS 520 Human Development through the Biblical Life-Cycle (3)
A general overview of life development following the Biblical Stages from birth through death with emphasis on the relational skills, roles and rituals associated with each stage.

CBS 530 Congregation as a Healing Community (3)
A general understanding of the dynamics of congregational life to personal development and adjustment necessary in maintaining healthy marital, family and personal relationships in community context. Emphasis will be placed on the congregational structure and dynamics necessary for the application of life-to-life and other congregational counseling models.

CBS540 A Theology of Helping People (3)
A survey of Christian approaches to counseling and relational healing with application to a life-to-life model of counseling in the congregation. Theology as a counseling theory will also be addressed.

CBS545 Survey of Church Based Counseling Programs (3)
A survey of specific programs of Church Based Counseling and their application in a congregational setting.

CBS 546 Relational Counseling Techniques (3)
An examination of the relational skills and settings that establish and maintain an effective counseling relationship in a congregational setting.

PSY500 Diversity Issues in Counseling Psychology (3)
Examination of the effects of therapeutic interventions on culturally distinct populations. Prerequisite: PSY 505

PSY 505 MFT Counseling Theory (3)
The student is introduced to the theoretical foundations of Family Systems Theory, Behaviorism, Humanism, Existentialism, and Psychoanalytic Theory.

PSY 515 Human Sexuality (2)
Etiology, diagnosis and treatment of sexual dysfunction with an overview of physiology.

PSY 525 MFT Counseling Techniques (3)
Intervention techniques from a phenomenological, cognitive, behavioral and existential frame of reference.

PSY 535 Advanced Psychopathology (3)
Nature and causes of reactions to social, biological and psychological stress, maladaptive development, and faulty learning. Includes an in depth study of anxiety disorders, character disorders, and the psychoses.

PSY 545 MFT Counseling: Child and Adolescent (3)
Processes of diagnosis, dynamics, and treatment of children and adolescents.

PSY 580 Family Therapy I (3)
An examination of the philosophical and theoretical suppositions of the major schools of family therapy. Emphasis on the historical and contemporary context of systems theory and family therapy.

PSY 585 Family Therapy II (3)
Concentration of the therapeutic techniques of the various schools of family therapy skills through the use of videotape feedback , coaching, and classroom demonstration. Prerequisite: PSY 580

PSY 597a Child Abuse and Neglect: Diagnosis and Treatment (2)
Examines the methods of assessment, reporting, and treatment of physical, sexual, and neglectful child abuse.

PSY 597b HIV and AIDS Counseling (1)*
This seminar examines the clinical, social and ethical issues in counseling persons with AIDS-related problems. In addition to the lecture/discussion format, opportunity for supervised role-playing may be provided.

PSY 597c Domestic Violence (1)*
Examines the characteristics and treatment of the perpetrators and victims of domestic violence.

PSY 598a Chemical Dependency: Diagnosis and Treatment (2)
An examination of the theoretical, diagnostic, and treatment issues related to the various types of chemical abuse and dependency.

PSY 598c Aging and Mental Health (2)
This seminar addresses mental health issues in aging populations.

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