The Master of Counseling specialty practice area in Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling is designed to prepare counselors to specialize in providing couple, marriage, and family counseling in various settings. Some settings where students may serve practicum and internships include mental health centers, community health agencies, college counseling offices, adolescent residential centers, and court-based family services.

A. General Residency Requirement

For the Master of Counseling (M.COUN.) specialty practice area, the student is required to complete the equivalent of at least four full semesters of resident graduate study beyond the bachelor's degree. The minimum Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling program must total 60 semester hours.

B. Specific Counseling Specialty Practice Area Requirements

COUN 6661 Issues in Family Counseling – 3 credits COUN 6664 Family Assessment – 2 credits COUN 6665 Advanced Family Systems Theory – 2 credits COUN 6697 Practicum in Counseling – 2 credits COUN 6697L Practicum in Counseling Lab – 0 credits COUN 6698 Internship in Counseling – 18 credits* COUN 6698L Internship in Counseling Lab – 0 credits

C. General Degree Requirements

COUN 6611 Applied Statistics and Research – 2 credits COUN 6612 Assessment and Diagnosis in Counseling – 3 credits COUN 6614 Lifespan Development – 2 credits COUN 6621 Professional Orientation and Ethics – 2 credits COUN 6623 Career Development – 2 credits COUN 6624 Cultural Counseling – 3 credits COUN 6625 Crisis Intervention and Trauma – 3 credits COUN 6627 Theories of Counseling – 3 credits COUN 6630 Addictions Counseling – 2 credits COUN 6660 Theories of Family and Couple Counseling – 3 credits COUN 6676 Small Group Activity – 1 credit COUN 6677 Group Counseling Techniques – 3 credits COUN 6696 Prepracticum Counseling Techniques – 3 credits COUNSELING ELECTIVES – 1 credit

Total Credits: 60 credits

*Must total 18 credits across all semesters



Course Sequence

FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester

- COUN 6621 Professional Orientation and Ethics 2 credits
- COUN 6624 Cultural Counseling 3 credits
- COUN 6627 Theories of Counseling 3 credits
- COUN 6661 Issues in Family Counseling 3 credits
- COUN 6676 Small Group Activity 1 credit
- COUN 6696 Prepracticum Counseling Techniques 3 credits

Spring Semester

- COUN 6623 Career Development 2 credits
- COUN 6625 Crisis Intervention and Trauma 3 credits
- COUN 6664 Family Assessment 2 credits
- COUN 6660 Theories of Family and Couple Counseling 3 credits
- COUN 6697 Practicum in Counseling 2 credits
- COUN 6697L Practicum in Counseling Lab 0 credits

*Counseling Elective ** - 1 credit

Summer Session

- COUN 6698 Internship in Counseling 1-2 credits
- COUN 6698L Internship in Counseling Lab 0 credits
- COUN 6665 Advanced Family Systems Theory 2 credits
- *Counseling Elective ** 1 credit

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester

- COUN 6612 Assessment and Diagnosis in Counseling 3 credits
- COUN 6614 Lifespan Development 2 credits
- COUN 6677 Group Counseling Techniques 3 credits
- COUN 6698 Internship in Counseling 1-9 credits
- COUN 6698L Internship in Counseling Lab 0 credits
- *Counseling Elective ** 1 credit

Spring Semester

- COUN 6611 Applied Statistics and Research 2 credits
- COUN 6630 Addictions Counseling 2 credits
- COUN 6698 Internship in Counseling 1-9 credits
- COUN 6698L Internship in Counseling Lab 0 credits
- *Counseling Elective ** 1 credit

Total Credits: 60 credits

*Indicates a semester in which taking an elective is possible, not required. Only 1 elective credit is needed for this specialty practice area.