



Master of Science – Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Degree Awarded: Master of Science

Requirements for the Degree: 60 credits

The Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) aims to develop ethically sound, research-informed, developmentally competent, and culturally aware licensed mental health counselors (LMHC). Graduates will be prepared for lifelong learning and employment to diagnose and treat mental health disorders in a variety of public and private practice settings. The primary objective of the CMHC program is to prepare students for direct entry into the practice of counseling and counseling-related fields. This program provides students with academic clinical education while simultaneously providing high impact, rigorous clinical work, application and experiences. The Standard Curriculum is a two-year intensive program for students entering the counseling field with academic and experiential background in psychology or human services and prior experiences in a related field. All students are required to complete a Practicum and two internships to develop entry-level practitioners in mental health counseling. If approved by the program director, students are eligible to take the National Counselor Examination for Licensure and Certification (NCE) during their last semester of course work.

Students must maintain insurance for the duration of the program (details may be found in the program handbook). Students must complete one residency experience. Courses may be repeated once. Failure to meet progression and minimum course grade standards will result in removal from the CMHC program.

Core Courses (30 credits):

Course	Title	Credits
CMGR 500	Professional Counseling Orientation	3
CMGR 505	Professional Ethics	3
CMGR 510	Career Counseling	3
CMGR 515	Applied Microskills	3
CMGR 520	Multiculturalism in Counseling	3
CMGR 535	Human Growth and Development	3
CMGR 537	Counseling Theories	3
CMGR 545	Assessment and Appraisal	3
CMGR 555	Group Counseling	3
CMGR 560	Research and Program Evaluation	3

Specialty Specific Courses (24 credits)

CMGR 525	Crisis Intervention	3
CMGR 540	Theory and Treatment of Substance Abuse	3
CMGR 550	Diagnosis and Treatment Planning	3
CMGR 565	Psychopathology	3
CMGR 570	Psychopharmacology	3
CMGR 595	Counseling Practicum	3
CMGR 598	Internship I	3
CMGR 599	Internship II	3

This information must be used in conjunction with the 2022-2023 Grand View University Catalog and does not reflect a student's official record of progress. Students are expected to use the Progress tool found on myView > GV Self Service when monitoring and planning coursework. Other available resources include: Course Planning Documents (found on myView under Academics) and the faculty and staff who work with academic requirements.

Electives – take two courses (6 credits) from:

	Course	Title	Credits
	CMGR 575	Introduction to Marriage and Family Therapy	3
	CMGR 580	Counseling Children and Adolescents	3
	CMGR 585	Introduction to Play Therapy	3

All courses in the above categories will be counted in computing the 3.0 GPA required for this program. No more than two grades of C+, C, or C- can apply to the degree. CMHC students must earn a B- or better in CMGR 595, 598, 599.