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Online Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Take the first step to becoming a counselor dedicated to promoting social justice and supporting diverse communities. With Marquette University’s online program, find the flexibility to become a skilled practitioner, without putting your life and career on hold. Through course work and on-the-ground training, you’ll gain the skills and greater understanding to be a leader and an advocate in your community.

Our online master’s program is designed to prepare students to meet the educational requirements for licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor in Wisconsin and in many other states.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- General-track option and child and adolescent counseling specialization available
- 3 start dates throughout the year: fall, spring and summer
- Complete in as few as 3 years
- 60 credit hours
- 17 online courses (51 credit hours)
  - 15 core courses (45 credits)
  - 2 electives (6 credits)
- Practicum (1 course, 3 credit hours)
  - This course will be completed in the second year
- Internship (2 courses, 6 credit hours)
  - These courses will be completed in the third year

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Undergraduate degree from an accredited institution
- Completed online application form
- $50 application fee
- Waiver available if you attend an information session or are a Marquette University alum
- Personal statement emphasizing why you’re interested in the program and why you are suited to the counseling profession
- Unofficial transcripts can be submitted with your application. If you are admitted, official transcripts from past academic institutions will be required prior to registration
- Two letters of recommendation speaking to your potential for success in graduate school, fitness for the counseling profession and personal strengths and limitations
- Interview with a faculty member from our counselor education and counseling psychology program
THE CURRICULUM

Our online master’s offers the same rigorous course work as our CACREP-accredited on-campus program—but with the added flexibility to take classes wherever you are. Our goal is to prepare you for licensure exams and for a career as a thoughtful and impactful counselor, so in three courses, you’ll meet virtually each week with your instructor to focus on developing these critical skill sets.

Core Courses (3 credit hours each)
- COUN 6000: Introduction to Counseling
- COUN 6003: Foundations of Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- COUN 6012: Professional Ethics and Legal Issues in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- COUN 6020: Life-Span Human Development
- COUN 6030: Theories of Counseling
- COUN 6040: Multicultural Counseling
- COUN 6050: Research Methods in Counseling
- COUN 6060: Psychopathology and Diagnosis
- COUN 6070: Assessment in Counseling
- COUN 6080: Career Development and Counseling
- COUN 6120: Group Counseling
- COUN 6130: Family Counseling
- COUN 6150: Addictions Counseling
- COUN 6170: Trauma Counseling
- COUN 6180: Advanced Diagnosis and Treatment in Counseling

Elective Courses (3 credit hours each)
If their state requires 900 clinical hours for licensure, students can choose to complete a third internship course as an elective. Those pursuing our child and adolescent counseling specialization are required to take COUN 6160 as one of their electives.
- COUN 6160: Counseling with Children and Adolescents
- COUN 6090: Medical and Psychosocial Aspects of Disabilities
- COUN 6986: Internship in Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Practicum and Clinical Courses (9 credits in total)
- COUN 6965: Counseling Practicum
- COUN 6986: Internship in Clinical Mental Health Counseling

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Have questions about earning your master’s? Reach out to an Admissions Advisor at 844-640-0408 to learn more.