

## **Clinical Mental Health Program**

This degree track prepares students for licensure in clinical mental health counseling who plan to work in an agency, private practice, or other relevant setting. Students matriculate through a series of core, specialized, elective, and clinical courses and must obtain a minimum of 60 credit hours. For more information on how this program will prepare you to become a Licensed Clinical Mental Health counselor in the State of Florida, please visit:

<https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/licensed-mental-health-counselor/>.

### **CURRICULUM**

The program requires a minimum of 60 credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree, including 9 core courses, 42 specialization courses, and 9 clinical experience courses. Total credit hours required: **60 hours beyond a Bachelor's degree.**

#### **Core Courses (9 Semester hours required)**

EDF 5481 Intro to Educational Research  
MHS 5005 Introduction to the Counseling Profession  
MHS 5480 Human Development

#### **Specialization courses ( 42 Semester hours required)**

MHS 5340 Career Development  
MHS 5400 Techniques of Counseling  
MHS 5500 Group Counseling  
MHS 5700 Legal and Ethical Issues in Counseling  
MHS 6050 Personality Theory  
MHS 6220 Individual Psychoeducational Testing  
MHS 6420 Counseling Minority Populations  
MHS 6430 Family Counseling (elective)  
MHS 6450 Substance Abuse Counseling  
MHS 6600 Psychological and School Consultation and Collaboration  
MHS 5620 Organizations and Administration of Human Services  
MHS 6466 Trauma and Crisis Counseling  
MHS 6070 Psychopathology in Mental Health  
MHS 6470 Human Sexuality

#### **Professional Clinical Experience (9 Semester hours Mental Health)**

MHS 6800 Practicum  
MHS 6830 Internship in Mental Health  
MHS 6831 Internship in Mental Health

Thesis Track (Optional): Equivalent to 6 Elective Hours

**ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

- Maintain a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or better
- Achieve a “B” or better in all required counseling courses. Students are permitted to re-take up to two courses if a grade of “C” is earned.
- Complete at total of 800 clinical hours, 100 hours in Practicum and 700 hours in Internship.
- Complete the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE) with the program standard score.