

MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING

"HE GIVES STRENGTH TO THE WEARY AND INCREASES THE POWER OF THE WEAK. EVEN YOUTHS GROW TIRED AND WEARY, AND YOUNG MEN STUMBLE AND FALL; BUT THOSE WHO HOPE IN THE LORD WILL RENEW THEIR STRENGTH. THEY WILL SOAR ON WINGS LIKE EAGLES; THEY WILL RUN AND NOT GROW WEARY, THEY WILL WALK AND NOT BE FAINT." - ISAIAH 40:29-31

The Master of Arts in Counseling is a professional, clinical mental health counseling program that equips students with the knowledge and skills necessary to become influential and effective counselors. The program combines rigorous coursework with experiential learning that challenges students to take what they learn in the classroom and through field experiences, and use it to make an impact in their communities, churches, and families. Upon completion of the program, graduates are academically prepared to take the Colorado Licensure exam.

THIS DEGREE IS FOR YOU IF:

- You're looking for a career change after being out of the workforce.
- You want to advance in your current position, but don't have the necessary degree.
- You want to prepare to take the National Counselor Examination.

WHY YOU WANT TO CHOOSE CCU

You have the opportunity to learn with a biblical worldview. CCU offers a complete education designed to develop you intellectually, professionally, and spiritually.

You can attend a program designed for an adult learner. A combination of online instruction and Web-enhanced, in-seat courses gives you greater flexibility to complete assignments while honoring important family and work commitments. We also recognize your work experience as a valuable contribution to online discussions and assignments.

You matter as a person at CCU. You'll receive personal attention from faculty and staff who want to know you as an individual, and help you reach your goals.

Your experience will be reinforced with an emphasis on personal and professional ethics. You will explore philosophy, theories, and values as the basis for ethical decision making.

Your degree is from an accredited institution. CCU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

WHY LEARNING IS DIFFERENT AT CCU

CCU's personal approach to teaching and learning means you'll receive the finest education available in a small-class-size environment. Our faculty members bring scholarship and experience alive in the classroom, applying a wealth of academic and professional experience, and affording you the advantages of real-life perspectives while you learn.



"The degree has been huge in both my job and my life. I learned how to get through the awkward moments with them, and how to see potential and hope in all cases. I also learned how to be a good listener and ask reflective questions and not bring my own problems into their mix of issues."

JENNA MARQUIS
MAC Alumna

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- Colorado Springs Center
- Lakewood Center
- Loveland Center

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Major Courses for a M.A. Degree in Counseling

Please visit www.ccu.edu/catalog for additional general education or elective course requirements for this degree.

CSL 510 Group Processing (2)

Experiential learning of groups and group dynamics in which students will be part of a group during the first semester of the program.

CSL 618 Psychopharmacology (2)

Fundamentals of psychopharmacology, including the basics of neuroanatomy, neuronal function, psychodynamics, and psychokinetics as these relate to the use of psychotropic medications in a clinical practice.

CSL 620 Counseling Services and Methods (3)*

Basic counseling methods, including prevention and intervention strategies, counseling theories, ethical standards, professional identity/development, and the structure and function of the American Counseling Association.

CSL 621 Theories of Personality and Counseling (3)

Major individual and family systems theories of counseling, with emphasis on their personality theory underpinnings, consistency, completeness, relation to empirical data, and practical implications.

CSL 623 Psychopathology (3)

Major psychological disorders (psychopathology), their classification within the DSM IV-TR (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders-IV-Text Revision), and use of an integrative approach to diagnosis and therapy.

CSL 641 Human Growth and Development (3)*

Major theories, issues, and data of developmental psychology covering early childhood through late adulthood, including the opportunity for the counselor to look at the importance of development in the lives of their clients and themselves.

CSL 643 Appraisal (3)*

Approaches to appraisal and testing, data and information-gathering systems, validity and reliability, psychometric statistics, and using appraisal results in the counseling process.

CSL 645 Crisis and Trauma (2)

Theoretical and practical intervention strategies for a variety of crises, including telephone and online counseling, domestic violence, sexual assault, vicarious traumatization, and compassion fatigue.

CSL 648 Marriage and Family (3)

Marriage and family systems and dynamics will be explored with emphasis on healthy family functioning, the causes of conflict, dysfunctional relational patterns, and appropriate counseling techniques.

CSL 661 Groups and Group Therapy (3)*

Major theories regarding small groups, group therapy, communication, leadership, facilitation, decision making, conflict resolution, and group counseling, including multicultural, legal, and ethical concerns for specific populations.

CSL 663 Lifestyle and Career (3)*

Career-development theories, career and lifestyle counseling, occupational and educational information sources and systems, education and guidance, and decision making, planning, and evaluation.

CSL 665 Social and Cultural Foundations (3)*

Issues and trends in a multicultural and diverse society, including human roles, societal subgroups, social mores, interaction patterns, differing lifestyles, and cross-cultural counseling principles and methods.

CSL 672 Research and Evaluation (3)*

Concepts and techniques of hypothesis testing, research design, and analysis as used in counseling research and program design.

CSL 674 Professional Orientation (3)*

Aspects of professional functioning including history, roles, organizational structures, ethics, standards, credentialing, and preparing for licensure (National Counselor Exam, registering with DORA, and the various steps to licensure in Colorado).

CSL 680 Integrative Seminar (2)

Capstone course focusing on the integration of psychology and theology, theory and application.

* Courses required by the State of Colorado for licensure.

DEGREE QUICK FACTS:

- 60 Credit Hours
 - 41 Core
 - 4 Bible/Theology
 - 9 Practicum/ Internship
 - 6 Elective
- Up to 30 transfer credits from a regionally accredited institution may be applied



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