

Master of Science
***Clinical Mental Health Counseling**

CORE COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
EDFL 514 Elementary Statistics	3
EDFL 515 Methods of Educational Research (Prereq., EDFL 514) or	3
COUN 585 Research in Counseling	3
	HOURS 6
REQUIRED CONCENTRATION	
COUN 504 Clinical Mental Health Counseling	3
COUN 506 Introduction to Professional Counseling	3
COUN 514 Counseling Assessment and Evaluation	3
COUN 517 Lifestyles and Career Development	3
COUN 520 Counseling Theories	3
COUN 526 Dynamics of Group Process (Prereq., COUN 520)	3
COUN 561 Psychological Aspects of Human Growth & Develop.	3
COUN 571 Counseling Skills	3
COUN 611 Psychodiagnosis and Treatment	3
COUN 631 Social & Cultural Foundations of Counseling	3
COUN 658 Marriage and Family Counseling	3
COUN 671 Practicum in Supervised Experience and Consultation (Prereq., COUN 571)	3
COUN 691 Seminar in Legal and Ethical Issues	3
ELECTIVES	6
	HOURS 45
*INTERNSHIP (Two Regular Semesters)	
COUN 578 Internship in Counseling 600 clock hours	HOURS 9
TOTAL HOURS	60

NOTE: Students are required to complete COUN 504, 506, 611, 514, 517, 520, 526, 561, 571, 631, 658, 671, and 691 before enrolling in internship. Students should apply for Practicum and Internship the semester prior to the intended enrollment semester Effective Date: Summer 2012

For information on the National Counselor Examination (NCE) requirements while enrolled, please contact Dr. Regina Fults-McMurtery at 601-979-2361. For information on the Licensed Professional Counselor requirements, visit the state boards website: <http://www.lpc.state.ms.us>.

**The Clinical Mental Health Counseling program at Jackson State University is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) until 2023.*

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Mission Statement

The primary mission of the Jackson State University Clinical Mental Health Program is to develop competent, fully functioning professional counselors. The counselor education program faculty continually challenges itself to meet the lifelong educational needs of its students, as well as the ever-changing needs of the urban and rural communities in which it serves. This mission also promotes the concept of quality service delivery to community consumers and clientele, and consistent collaboration and partnership with community agencies, field experience sites and other institutions of higher learning.

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling program is designated to prepare and train mental health counselors and practitioners working in both an urban and rural setting to:

The Clinical Mental Health Program Objectives are as follows:

- Provide state-of-the-art counseling techniques and strategies, which are grounded in sound counseling theory, while working with community and agency clientele and consumers.
- Promote multicultural competence, awareness and knowledge when providing services to clients and consumers from diverse backgrounds.
- Continually practice and engage in relevant counseling theory as well as sound ethical practices, in order to promote both the growth as well as the welfare of the community consumers whom we serve.
- Prepare counseling practitioners to be eligible to seek and obtain State licensure through the provision of the proper course and fieldwork outlined by the State Licensure Board.

Internships. Internships involve supervised professional experiences in settings appropriate to the student's vocational objectives. The internships will provide practical work in the student's area of specialization. Internships include 600 hours of field experience. Students must complete a minimum of 240 hours of direct services with clients. Each week, students receive one hour of individual supervision from their site supervisors and one and one-half hours group supervision from their university supervisors during seminar.

There are procedures that ensure that the client's confidentiality and legal rights are protected. Generally speaking, students are expected to abide by confidentiality guidelines as outlined in the ACA Code of Ethics (2014). Students are also subject to the guidelines, policies, and procedures of confidentiality as outlined at their sites. The opportunity to audio- or video-tape a counseling session is at the discretion of individual sites. In the event that a taping session occurs either at the practicum/internship site and/or the university, the confidentiality statement regarding audio- and/or video-taping client sessions is outlined below.