

MS Course Sequence

The MS degree is a CACREP accredited program in clinical mental health counseling emphasizing religion and spirituality. The program is 66 credit hours (6 hours are practical theology courses). Students who possess a Masters in Divinity or a Masters of Arts in Theology or a Masters in Theological Studies may be eligible for a waiver of the practical theology courses. The two practical theology courses are PC 608 Theological Anthropology and PC 665 Contemporary Religious Perspectives. In the case of a waiver, a student will follow the course sequence minus the two practical theology courses.

Course Sequence:

The course sequence is an advising guide. Therefore, the student's Faculty advisor will encourage the student to take the courses in the sequence that is recommended below. Deviations from the course sequence may prolong the student's matriculation through the program.

1. PC 670 Intro to Pastoral Counseling
2. PC 674 Human Development
3. PC 678 Psychopathology
4. PC 675 Helping Relationships
5. PC 676 Counseling Theory and Practice
6. PC 726 Diversity
7. PC 650 Substance Abuse
8. PC 808 Ethical, Legal and Professional Issues
9. PC 778 Treatment of Psychopathology
10. PC 661 Clinical Case Supervision I
11. PC 608 Theological Anthropology
12. PC 681 Family Counseling
13. PC 662 Clinical Case Supervision II
14. PC 665 Contemporary Religious Perspectives
15. PC 655 Group Theory and Practice
16. PC 654 Career
17. PC 663 Clinical Case Supervision III
18. PC 653 Stats and Research Methods
19. PC 700 Pastoral Integration
20. PC 664 Clinical Case Supervision IV
21. PC 689 Psychological Testing
22. PC 690 Pro-Seminar

The following represents the Course Sequence for students going full time starting in either the fall or spring semesters:

Fall I

PC 670 Intro to Pastoral Counseling
 PC 674 Human Development
 PC 678 Psychopathology

Spring I

PC 670 Intro to Pastoral Couns.
 PC 674 Human Development
 PC 678 Psychopathology

Spring I PC 675 Helping Relationships PC 676 Counseling Theory and Practice PC 726 Diversity	Summer I PC 675 Helping Relationship PC 676 Counseling Theory
Summer I PC 808 Ethical, Legal, and Professional Prac. PC 650 Substance Abuse	Fall I PC 726 Diversity PC 808 Ethical Legal PC 650 Substance Abuse
Fall II PC 778 Treatment of Psychopathology PC 661 Small Group Supervision I PC 608 Theological Anthropology	Spring II PC 778 Treatment of Psycho. PC 661 Small Group I PC 608 Theo Anthro
Spring II PC 662 Small Group Supervision II PC 681 Family Counseling PC 665 Contemporary Religious Perspectives.	Summer II PC 662 Small Group II PC 681 Family Counseling
Summer II PC 654 Career PC 655 Group Theory and Practice	Fall II PC 665 Contemporary Re. Persp. PC 655 Group Theory & Practice PC 663 Small Group III
Fall III PC 663 Small Group Supervision III PC 653 Statistics and Research Methods PC 700 Pastoral Integration	Spring III PC 653 Stats and Research PC 664 Small Group IV PC 700 Pastoral Integration
Spring III PC 664 Small Group Supervision IV PC 689 Psychological Testing PC 690 Pro-Seminar	Summer III PC 654 Career
	Fall III PC 689 Psych Testing PC 690 Pro-Seminar

Students Going Part-Time will have a slightly different course sequence as the recommendation is that part-time students complete their clinical courses at the end of their program.

Semester I:	PC 670 Intro to PC	&	PC 674 Human Development
Semester II:	PC 678 Psychopathology	&	PC 675 Helping Relationships
Semester III:	PC 676 Couns. Theory	&	PC 726 Diversity
Semester IV:	PC 808 Ethical Legal	&	PC 650 Substance Abuse
Semester V:	PC 608 Theo Anthro.	&	PC 681 Family Counseling

Semester VI:	PC 665 Cont. Rel. Persp.	&	PC 655 Group Theory
Semester VII:	PC 654 Career	&	PC 653 Stats & Research
Semester VIII:	PC 661 Clinical Sup. I	&	PC 778 Treatment of Psycho
Semester IX:	PC 662 Clinical Sup. II	&	PC 689 Psyche Testing
Semester X:	PC 663 Clinical Sup. III	&	PC 700 Pastoral Integration
Semester XI:	PC 664 Clinical Sup. IV	&	PC 690 Pro-Seminar

A student may only take 9 hours (max) their first semester in the MS program. In the event that a student achieves a G.P.A. greater than 3.5 after their first semester, the student may take no more than 4 the following semesters until the student begins the clinical portion of the program. Once a student begins the clinical portion of the program, the student is allowed to take a maximum of 2 additional academic courses (6 hours) with the Clinical Case Supervision courses. Please contact either Dr. Lawrence M. LeNoir, PhD, LCPC, Director of the MS program at lnoir@loyola.edu or Betsy Davis-Church ejdavis1@loyola.edu if you have any further questions.