

Master of Science in Counseling/Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MSC/CCMH) Student Learning Outcomes

- Students will demonstrate knowledge, skills and dispositions key to success in professional counseling, advocacy, and ethical practice.
- Students will demonstrate knowledge, skills and dispositions in social and cultural diversity that provide an understanding of societal changes and trends; human roles; societal subgroups; social mores and interaction patterns; and differing lifestyles.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of human growth and development to include wellness, the importance of mindbody interactions and their effect on physical and psychological well-being; the nature and needs of individuals at all developmental levels; normal and abnormal human behavior; personality theory; and learning theory within cultural contexts.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of career development theories; occupational and educational information sources and systems; career and leisure counseling, guidance, and education; lifestyle and career decision-making; and career development program planning, resources, and evaluation.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of counseling and helping relationships to include philosophic bases of helping processes; counseling theories and their applications; helping skills; consultation theories and their applications; helper selfunderstanding and self-development; facilitation of client or consultee change; and techniques for prevention and intervention.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of group counseling and group work to include group development, dynamics, and counseling theories; group leadership styles; group counseling methods and skills, and other group approaches.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of assessment and testing to include group and individual education and psychometric theories and approaches to appraisal; data and information gathering methods; validity and reliability; psychometric statistics; factors influencing appraisals, and use of appraisal results in helping processes.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of counseling research and program evaluation to include types of research; basic statistics; research-report development; research implementation; program evaluation; needs assessment; and ethical and legal considerations.
- Students will demonstrate effective communication in the classroom and workplace.
- Students will demonstrate knowledge, skill and professional dispositions necessary in the use of appropriate psychological tests and assessments, diagnostic processes and classifications (including the DSM and ICD), treatment planning in the context of clinical mental health counseling practice.