Master of Arts
Clinical Mental Health Counseling Major

Unique Program Features Create a Distinctive Learning Experience
The Master of Arts with a major in Clinical Mental Health Counseling program offers graduate training to those interested in working as master's-level clinicians in the mental health field. Potential work settings include but are not limited to outpatient clinics, human service organizations, public systems (mental health, child welfare, criminal justice), healthcare systems and psychiatric facilities. The curriculum is grounded in counseling theory and a strong emphasis on counseling skill development complements assessment practices, cultural competence, human development, and comprehensive program development and evaluation. The semester-long practicum experience in the University of Detroit Mercy Counseling Clinic followed by a 600-hour internship at a community-based organization provides the highest quality hands-on experience for counselors-in-training.

Career Opportunities
Graduates of University of Detroit Mercy's Clinical Mental Health Counseling program are typically hired immediately either by their internship site or by another organization. Our graduates fulfill such roles as therapist, clinical supervisor, program director, and researchers in an array of organizations such as the Veterans Administration, human service organizations, psychiatric hospitals, and outpatient clinics.

Program Description
The content and sequence of courses aim at promoting deep knowledge and competencies to work effectively with individuals experiencing serious mental health issues and/or challenges related to living. Completion of the program fulfills the academic requirements for state licensure as a professional counselor (LLPC). The 60-credit-hour program generally requires three years to complete.

CACREP Accredited
The master's degree programs in Addiction Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, and School Counseling at University of Detroit Mercy are accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), the national accrediting body for graduate programs in Counseling.

Admission Criteria
An undergraduate overall GPA of 2.75 or higher or a GPA of 3.0 or higher in the second half of the undergraduate degree program, or a graduate GPA of 3.0 on a previously completed graduate degree; a minimum of 15 hours in the social or behavioral sciences (e.g., psychology, anthropology, sociology) including at least one course (three credit hours) in statistics; a letter of interest explaining your reasons for wishing to seek a graduate degree in counseling; a writing exam; three letters of recommendation from individuals able to speak to your potential to enter graduate school in counseling and an interview with the faculty.

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Admission Deadlines

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All application documents must be received by the college by the due date listed to be eligible for admission.

60% K-12 Educators Tuition Remission Employed K-12 Michigan educators are eligible for 60% tuition remission when enrolled in any of the University of Detroit Mercy Counseling programs.

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Curriculum

- CNS 5000 Research Methods in Counseling
- CNS 5020 Counseling and Human Development
- CNS 5120 Introduction to Counseling Theory and Process
- CNS 5320 Multicultural Counseling
- CNS 5350 Introduction to Counseling
- CNS 5360 Program Development and Evaluation CNS 5380 Career Counseling
- CNS 5390 Counseling Skills
- CNS 5400 Testing and Evaluation
- CNS 5430 Group Counseling
- CNS 5490 Trauma, Crisis and Prevention
- CNS 5600 Mental Health Diagnosis and Treatment
- CNS 5620 Critical Issues in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- CNS 5680 Advanced Issues in Assessment and Treatment
- CNS 5720 Legal, Ethical, and Advocacy Issues in Counseling
- CNS 5850 Counseling Practicum
- CNS 5900 Consultation and Staff Development
- CNS 5920 Introduction to Addiction: Process and Substance
- CNS 5940 Addiction Counseling: Advanced Issues in Practice and Evaluation
- CNS 6040 Internship in Counseling
- CNS Elective: Student may choose ADS 5090 ADS 5110 (3 credits), ADS 5120 or CNS 5450 or any CNS course with advisor approval.

Total: 60 credits

Counseling Faculty

- Jocelyn M. Bennett-Garraway, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Counseling, Director of School Counseling
- Nancy G. Calleja, Ph.D. Department Chair & Professor of Counseling, Director of Addiction Counseling
- Rachel Evans, Ph.D. Adjunct Professor of Counseling Counseling Clinic Manager
- Elvita Kondili, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Counseling
- Daniel Lawrence, Ph.D. Adjunct professor of Counseling
- Mary McDougall, Ph.D. Adjunct Faculty, Counseling Program
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