

Texas Woman's University
Department of Family Sciences
M.S. Degree in Counseling and Development
Focal area of Interest: Community Counseling

(Designed to meet the educational requirements for Licensed Professional Counselor
(52 Hours))

The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), a specialized accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education (CHEA), has conferred accreditation to the M.S. in Counseling and Development, to the M.S. in Counseling and Development, Community Counseling focal area.

Counseling Core: (Required as 12 of first 15)

FS 5443 Multicultural Counseling
FS 5303 Professional Orientation and Ethics
FS 5313 Counseling Theory and Practice

Additional Counseling Core (required)

FS 5003 Lifespan Human Development
FS 5323 Psychological Appraisal
FS 5353 Clinical Diagnosis & Treatment Planning for Counselors
FS 5453 Counseling for Career Development
FS 5911 Seminar: Current Issues in Counseling & Development

Community Counseling Specialty: (3 hours)

FS 5493 Community Mental Health Counseling

Research: (3 hours)

FS 5693 Research Methods in Family Sciences

Electives: (6 hours - choose a minimum of 2 courses)

FS 5143 Addictions Counseling
FS 5173 Crisis Intervention Counseling
FS 5183 Grief and Bereavement
FS 5163 Play Therapy
FS 5293 Advanced Play Therapy
FS 5383 Counseling Children and Adolescents

Clinical Competencies: (18 hours)

FS 5363 Prepracticum
FS 5373 Group Counseling (taken concurrently with Prepracticum)
FS 5364 Practicum in Counseling (1 semester)
FS 5894 Internship in Counseling (2 semesters)

Special Note: Professional clinical competency courses must be taken at TWU in the Department of Family Sciences. The student must take these courses in sequence and earn a grade of “CR” in each course to advance in the sequence. Any student receiving a “PR” in one of these courses must retake the course before progressing in the sequence. Students receiving 1 (one) “PR” in a professional competency course must meet with the Counseling and Development faculty before registering for additional courses. Students receiving a “C” in any course must meet with the Counseling and Development faculty before registering for any additional classes. Two grades of “C” or “PR” will result in dismissal from the Counseling and Development program.

Students wanting to register for the five professional competency courses (Prepracticum, Group, Practicum, and Internship) need to fill out an application for admission for **each** restricted enrollment course. Students will be informed by letter when they are admitted to the class. Applications for restricted enrollment courses need to be completed one semester prior to enrollment. The application forms are available on the forms rack outside the Family Sciences office.

Refer to the TWU graduate catalog for further explanation of policy and procedures.