

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY OPTION

CALIFORNIA STATE
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CONCORD CAMPUS

M.S. Counseling



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The Master of Science in Counseling degree offered by the Department of Educational Psychology focuses on the Option in Marriage & Family Therapy. The Department is committed to training counselors, psychotherapists, and mental health specialists in a variety of settings.

The MFT Program is offered annually at the Hayward Campus and every other year at the Concord Campus.

Students are prepared for clinical work with people who are struggling with both normal life problems and more severe pathologies. Training, combined with practice in fieldwork, prepares students for advanced post-graduate work and internships in the clinical, and specializations of their choice.

MFT Option

The Option in Marriage and Family Therapy is designed to meet the requirements of Section 4980.37, 4980.40 and relevant subdivisions of Chapter 13 regarding Marriage and Family Therapy in the Business and Professions Code of the State of California. Prospective students are advised to acquire and read the laws governing MFT licensure from the Board of Behavioral Sciences in Sacramento. Field work experience is required as part of all counseling programs. This requirement allows students actual clinical, assessment, and counseling experience under the supervision of department faculty and qualified professionals working in the field.

Emphases

Two program emphases are currently under review: Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy and Cross-Cultural Counseling.

Application

The Concord Campus operates on the quarter system with four quarters a year. Applications are only accepted for fall quarter. Counseling cohorts will begin at the Concord Campus every other year (Fall 2007, 2009, 2011).

Course Offerings

Courses are offered two weekdays a week in addition to weekend seminars. It is not possible to complete the M.S. in Counseling through evening and weekend courses.

Licenses

The Department does not issue licenses. The Master of Science in Counseling program is designed to meet the educational requirements for the California State MFT License issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. This license requires additional experience beyond degrees, as well as written and oral exams administered by the Board of Behavioral Sciences.

- Marriage and Family Therapy License
- 3,000 hours of supervised experience
- Standard Written examination & Written Clinical Vignette examination

Admission Requirements

Students interested in applying to these programs should follow the regulations pertaining to university and departmental admissions, including:

- completion of all prerequisite courses
- attend a program orientation prior to submitting your application
- completion of the University Application for Admission
- completion of the Department Application of Admission
- including three letters of reference
- including a personal statement
- including test scores (Graduate Records Exam (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT))

Please note: the Department accepts applications for the Fall Quarter only. The Concord Campus program starts every other year (2007, 2009, etc).

Please refer to the Counseling Department's website for more information on any of their programs:

<http://edschool.csueastbay.edu/Departments/EPsy/INDEX.HTML>
or call 510-885-3011 with additional questions.