

# Master of Arts in Professional Counseling

*fulfilling the educational requirements for a license in*

## CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH

### Advisement/Degree Plan

(Follow the course sequencing on the reverse side and consult your faculty advisor)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Write the grades you earned on the lines preceding the courses you have completed. Indicate with a “✓” courses in which you are currently enrolled.

**Hours required for graduation: 73 (64.5 for students who qualify for advanced standing)**

### Christian Integration (11 credit hours\*)

_____ GTHE 510 Holy Spirit Empowerment	_____ GTHE 571 Theology of Counseling
_____ GCSL 528 Christian Approaches to Counseling	_____ GBIB 515 Intro to Bib Lit or GCSL 626 Scriptures And Counseling

### University, College and Program Distinctives, Assessments and Proficiency Courses (5 credit hours\*)

_____ PRFT 055 Spiritual Formation & Assessment	_____ PRFT 051 Professional Counseling Orientation <sup>3</sup>
_____ PRFT 057 Mid-Level Assessment	_____ PRFT 064 Intro to Practicum/Internship
_____ PRFT 058 Candidacy-Level Assessment <sup>+</sup>	_____ PRFT 065 Counselor Prep Comprehensive Exam <sup>4</sup>
_____ GHPE 503 Grad Health Fitness	_____ GHPE 515 or 525 Grad Fitness Walk or Aerobics

### Professional Counseling Common Core (33 Hours Required)

_____ GCSL 624 Counseling Diverse Populations <sup>5+</sup>	_____ GCSL 650 Professional Ethics in Counseling <sup>+</sup>
_____ GCSL 628 Crisis, Trauma, & Addictions Counseling	_____ GCSL 670 Psychopathology
_____ GCSL 630 Counseling Methods <sup>+</sup>	_____ GCSL 679 Vocational Guidance <sup>+</sup>
_____ GCSL 635 Human Growth & Development <sup>+</sup>	_____ GCSL 681 Group Dynamics <sup>+</sup>
_____ GCSL 643 Marital & Family Systems Theory <sup>+</sup>	_____ GCSL 724 Testing & Assessment I <sup>+</sup>
_____ GCSL 640 Human Sexuality	_____ GCSL 784 Counseling Research <sup>+</sup>

### Clinical Mental Health Concentration (15 hours required)

_____ GCSL 625 Counseling Theories <sup>+</sup>	_____ GCSL 641 Assessment in MFT
_____ GCSL 676 Marriage Counseling	_____ GCSL 732 Testing & Assessment II <b>OR</b>
_____ GCSL 722 Counseling Across the Life Span	_____ GCSL 641 Assessment in MFT

### Professional Experience (9 hours required)

_____ GCSL 763 Counseling Practicum <sup>1,3</sup>	_____ GCSL 781 Counseling Internship I <sup>1,3</sup>
	_____ GCSL 785 Counseling Internship II <sup>1,3+</sup>

### Optional Concentration Areas

Addictions Counseling (additional 12 hours of concentration studies)

Marriage and Family (additional 9 hours of concentration studies)

\*Denotes courses listed in Catalog as prerequisites, which may be taken at *any time* during the program. May be eligible for advanced standing credit, in certain circumstances. Check with your advisor or the counseling coordinator.

<sup>1</sup>Prerequisites Required

<sup>2</sup>Students may take undergraduate HPE courses with the GHPE 503 prerequisite. **GHPE 515 or 525** are available for grad students. The same HPE elective may be taken twice. 2 HPE Courses are required. A 1-credit class may not be substituted for two 0.5-credit class.

<sup>3</sup>Background check assess in PRFT 051 and, along with liability insurance, required in GCSL 763/781/785.

<sup>4</sup>A fee of \$150-200 will be charged by the Center for Credentialing and Education.

<sup>5</sup>Students may petition for GCSL 570 Religious Diversity in Counseling to replace GCSL 624.

+Required artifact for M.A. Professional Counseling degree program. See course syllabi and degree program chart for specific information on artifact requirements. Artifacts may only be used once.

# MASTER OF ARTS IN PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING -- LPC Track

## Fast-Track Degree Plan Schedule

**Course Sequencing 2025-26**

*Semester map, if Adv. Standing for Prereqs  
(GTHE 510)*

*Course offering rotation—2 years, after BA/BS\**  
Total Hours needed to graduate: **73 (71**  
**for students who qualify for advanced standing)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Course Code/Title	Credit	Course Code/Title	Credit
<b>Fast Track Classes Available during Bachelor's Degree:</b>			
<b>FALL—During Bachelor's Degree</b>		<b>SPRING—During Bachelor's Degree</b>	
GCSL 528 Christian Approaches to Cslng (R, B <sup>a</sup> )	3	GCSL 630 Counseling Methods (R)	3
GCSL 643 MFT Systems Theory (R)	3	GCSL 628 Crisis, Trauma, & Addctns (R)	3
<b>Total Fall credits during fast track</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Spring credits during fast track</b>	<b>6</b>

*Students should apply to the MAPC program by January of their Senior Years.*

*Summer immediately following B.A./B.S. for Fast-Track Students:*

*Students have the option of enrolling in GCSL 722 immediately after beginning the program, or in the Summer semester immediately following MAPC Graduation.*

GCSL 722 Counseling Across the Lifespan (B<sup>b</sup>)<sup>6</sup> 3 -722 begins late June, providing a 6-wk break after BA/BS.

### As Fully Enrolled MAPC Student:

#### FALL—First Year

GCSL 724 Testing & Assessment I (R,B <sup>b</sup> )	3
GCSL 635 Human Growth & Development (R,O)	3
GCSL 670 Psychopathology (R,B <sup>a</sup> )	3
PRFT 051 Orientation to Professional Counseling	0.5
PRFT 055 Spiritual Formation & Assessment	2
HPE Elective	0.5
<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>11.5</b>

#### SUMMER—First Year

GCSL 681 Group Dynamics (B <sup>a</sup> )	3
GCSL 625 Counseling Theories	3
GCSL 763 Counseling Practicum <sup>3</sup> (O)*	<u>3</u>
<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>9</b>

#### FALL – Second Year\*

GCSL 781 Counseling Internship I <sup>3</sup>	3
GCSL 640 Human Sexuality (R,B <sup>a</sup> )	<u>3</u>
GCSL 626 Counseling and Scripture	3
GCSL 624 Counseling Diverse Populations <sup>5+</sup>	3
HPE Elective	0.5
<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>12.5</b>

#### SPRING—First Year

GCSL 676 Marriage Counseling (R,B <sup>a</sup> )	3
GCSL 732 Testing & Assess II <sup>4</sup> (B <sup>b</sup> )	3
Or 641 or Assmt. Of MFT (B <sup>b</sup> )	
GCSL 679 Vocational Guidance (2)	3
PRFT 064 Intro to Practicum/Internship	0.5
GCSL 650 Professional Ethics	3
PRFT 057 Mid-Level Assessment <sup>3</sup>	0.5
<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>13</b>

*\*Practicum and Internship are pending approval through the Fitness to Practice process, which assesses for professional dispositions, including remediation if warranted.*

#### SPRING – Second Year\*

HPE Elective	0.5
GCSL 785 Counseling Internship II <sup>3+</sup>	3
GTHE 510 Holy Spirit Empowerment (petition for adv. Standing)	2
PRFT 065 Counselor Prep Comp Exam	0
GCSL 571 Theology of Counseling	3
PRFT 058 Candidacy-Level Assessment	<u>0.5</u>
<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>9</b>

### SUMMER – Immediately following MAPC Graduation – May take up to 6 credits immediately following graduation:

GCSL 784 Counseling Research (B <sup>a</sup> )	3
GCSL 722 Counseling Across the Lifespan (B <sup>b</sup> )	3

<sup>2</sup>Students may take undergraduate HPE courses with the GHPE 503 prerequisite. **GHPE 515 or 525** are available for graduate students. The same HPE elective may be taken twice. Students who graduated from ORU w. their bachelor's may omit 503 and take two ½-cr HPEs instead.

<sup>3</sup>Background check assess in PRFT 064 and, along with liability insurance, required in GCSL 763/781/785.

<sup>4</sup>Can substitute GCSL 641, Assessment in Marriage & Family; Testing & Assessment I is *not* a content prerequisite.

<sup>5</sup>Students may petition for GCSL 570 Religious Diversity in Counseling to replace GCSL 624.

<sup>6</sup>Students have the option of enrolling in GCSL 722 immediately after beginning the program, or in the Summer semester immediately following MAPC Graduation.

\* If you need to maintain full-time status in order to be eligible for financial aid and/or academic scholarships, remember that it is defined as 9 credit hours in each of the fall and spring semesters, and 6 credit hours over the summer.

For Blended, B<sup>a</sup> refers to the earlier weeks in the semester; B<sup>b</sup> refers to the later weeks. Exact weeks vary with the semester.

**NOTE:** Students are ultimately responsible for the courses they take and the order in which they take them. Should students deviate from the proposed plan, they could jeopardize their graduation within the prescribed time limit. **UNDERGRAD COURSES WILL NOT BE CREDITED TO STUDENT'S DEGREE AND ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL AID.** Students are encouraged to consult their faculty advisors.

