

**Master of Arts—CHRISTIAN COUNSELING (MCCL/MFTC)  
Marital and Family Therapy Concentration**

**Advisement/Degree Plan**

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

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**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: **64/64.5**

**Assessments (1 Hour Required)**

___ PRFT 056	Entry-Level Assessment/ <i>Koinonia</i> +	___ PRFT 059	ePortfolio: <i>Whole Person Assessment</i>
___ PRFT 057	Mid-Program Assessment	___ PRFT 061	Counseling Comprehensive+
___ PRFT 058	Candidacy-Level Assessment+		

**Prerequisites (9 Hours Required)**

___ GCSL 517	Intro to Marital and Family Therapy	___ GTHE 518	Intro to Theology
		___ GBIB 515	Intro to Bib Lit

**Biblical and Theological Foundations (11 Hours Required)**

___ GTHE 510	Holy Spirit Empowerment/Life & Min.	<i>Choose one of the following two:</i>	
___ GCSL 671	Religion & Personality	___ GCSL 528	Christian Approaches to Counseling
___ GCSL 570	Religious Diversity & Counseling	___ GCSL 626	Principles of Biblical Counseling

**Theoretical Foundations (9 Hours Required)**

___ GCSL 539	Contemporary Family	___ GCSL 643	Marital/Family Systems Theory
___ GCSL 639	Family Development <sup>1</sup>		

**Assessment and Treatment in Marital and Family Therapy (15 Hours Required)**

<i>Choose one of the following three:</i>			
___ GCSL 630	Counseling Methods <sup>3</sup>	___ GCSL 676	Marriage Counseling
___ GCSL 762	Narrative Therapy*	___ GCSL 629	Intro to Addictive Disorders*
___ GCSL 760	Cognitive Therapy*	___ GCSL 642	Family Therapy
		___ GCSL 641	Assessment in MFT

**Human Growth and Development (9 Hours Required)**

___ GCSL 635	Human Growth & Development	<i>Choose one of the following three:</i>	
___ GCSL 670	Introduction to Psychopathology	___ GCSL 640	Human Sexuality*
	<i>or, with special permission:</i>	___ GCSL 645	Counseling the Elderly*
___ GCSL 770	Diagnosis & Treatment of Psychopath.	___ GCSL 723	Counseling Children & Adolescents

**Ethics and Professional Issues (6 Hours Required)**

___ GCSL 623	Professional Ethics+	___ GCSL___	Professional Issues
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**Counseling Research (3 Hours Required)**

___ GCSL 784	Counseling Research+
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**Practicum/Internship (9 Hours Required)**

___ GCSL 764	MFT Practicum (summer) <sup>1, 4, ++</sup>	___ GCSL 782	MFT Internship (fall) <sup>1, 4, ++</sup>
		___ GCSL 786	MFT Internship (spring)

**Health and Physical Education (1/1.5 Hours Required)**

___ GHPE 503	Grad. Health Fitness (1 credit hr.)**	___ HPE___	HPE Elective <sup>2</sup> _____(0.5 credit hr.)
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<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 graduate students. The same HPE elective may be taken twice.

<sup>3</sup> Alternate courses: GCSL 760 Cognitive Therapy or GCSL 762 Narrative Therapy

<sup>4</sup> Background check and liability insurance are required

+ Required artifact for M.A. Christian Counseling degree program

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See course syllabi and degree program chart for specific information on artifact requirements.

Artifacts may only be used once.

\* offered every other year

Students who do a joint degree will be required to take an additional activity course for a minimum of 0.5 hour.

\*\*Students who completed Health Fitness I and II as undergraduates need to substitute an activities course (.5 or 1 hour) for GHPE 503.

**CHRISTIAN COUNSELING**

**Marital & Family Therapy Concentration**

*Suggested course load with prerequisites*

**Total Required Hours: 64/64.5**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Course Code/Title	Credit	Course Code/Title	Credit
<b>FALL—First Year</b>		<b>SPRING—First Year</b>	
GCSL 517 Intro to Marital & Family Therapy	3	GBIB 515 Introduction to Biblical Literature	3
GCSL 528 Christian Approach to Counseling <sup>1</sup> ++	3	GTHE 510 Holy Spirit Empowerment	2
GCSL 784 Counseling Research+	3	GCSL 630 Counseling Methods <sup>2</sup>	3
GCSL 643 Marital/Family Systems Theory	3	GCSL 635 Human Growth & Develop	3
GCSL 670 Introduction to Psychopathology+++	3	GCSL 639 Family Development	3
GTHE 518 Introduction to Theology <sup>9</sup>	3	GCSL 641 Assessment in MFT++	3
PRFT 056 Entry-Level Assessment/ <i>Koinonia</i> +	0.5	PRFT 057 Mid-Program Assessment	0
PRFT 059 ePortfolio: <i>Whole Person Assessment</i>	0	GHPE 503 Grad. Health Fitness	1
<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>SUMMER—First Year</b>			
GCSL 764 MFT Practicum <sup>7</sup>	1		
GCSL 640 Human Sexuality <sup>8</sup>	3		
<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>4</b>		
<b>FALL—Second Year</b>		<b>SPRING—Second Year</b>	
GCSL 580 Professional Issues in Counseling	3	GCSL 650 Professional Ethics in Counseling	3
GCSL 570_ Religious Diversity & Counseling	3	GCSL 629 Introduction to Addictive Disorders	3
GCSL 539 Contemporary Family	3	GCSL 642 Family Therapy++	3
GCSL 671 Religion & Personality	3	GCSL 676 Marriage Counseling	3
GCSL 782 MFT Internship <sup>7</sup> ++	4	GCSL 782 MFT Internship <sup>7</sup> ++	4
PRFT 061 Counseling Comprehensive <sup>6</sup>	0	PRFT 058 Candidacy-Level Assessment+	0.5
HPE HPE Elective <sup>4</sup> _____	0.5	<b>Total credits this semester</b>	<b>16.5</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Alternative course offered on the Summer 2 O rotation: GCSL 626 Prin. of Biblical Counseling

<sup>2</sup> Alternative courses offered on the Summer 2-E rotation: GCSL 760 Cognitive Therapy  
Summer 2-O rotation: GCSL 762 Narrative Therapy

<sup>3</sup> Alternative course offered on the Spring 1 rotation: GBIB 507 Biblical Hermeneutics

<sup>4</sup> Students may take undergraduate HPE courses with the GHPE 503 prerequisite. **GHPE 515 or 525** are available for graduate students. The same HPE electives may be taken twice.

<sup>5</sup> May be taken as a summer course

<sup>6</sup> Counseling Comprehensive Exam available August, January, and May at the beginning of the summer, fall, and spring semesters.

<sup>7</sup> Background check and liability insurance are required

<sup>8</sup> Alternative courses offered on the fall rotation: GCSL 645 Counseling the Elderly; GCSL 623 Counseling Children and Adolescents

<sup>9</sup> Substitute course GTHE 551 Systematic Theology I or GTHE 561 Systematic Theology II

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+++Or with special permission GCSL 770 Diagnoses and Treatment of Psychopathology

**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.