

Program in Counseling Psychology (M.A./Psy.D.) Fact Sheet

Program Learning Outcomes

- 1: To admit and graduate students of diverse populations prepared for the practice of marriage family therapy and clinical counseling.
- 2: To prepare and graduate students skilled in the art, science, practice, and profession of marriage family therapy and clinical counseling.
- **3**: To prepare students for the practice of marriage family therapy and clinical counseling through theoretical understanding, experiential training, and a one and half year supervised practicum/traineeship experience.
- 4: To prepare students to be informed researchers and creators of scholarly work as it relates to the practice of marriage family therapy and clinical counseling.

Table 1. Faculty/Student Ratio 2022-23

Total FTE Faculty*	37.2
Total FTE Students**	318.5
Faculty/Student Ratio	1:8.6

^{*} Full-time Equivalent (FTE) was calculated by dividing the total credit hours for the academic year by 18 (the number of credit hours/full-time contract).

• In the 2022-23 academic year, the faculty-to-student ratio was approximately one faculty member for every nine students in coursework (Table 1).

Table 2. Attrition and Persistence Counts by Matriculation Year

		Matriculation Year (Academic Year)					
		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total
Attrition	AW/AD	8	8	15	3	1	35
	W	20	12	8	15	15	70
	Total	28	20	23	18	16	105
Persistence	Graduated	73	78	71			222
	Still In Program	3	9	12	92	141	257
	Total	76	87	83	92	141	479
Enrollment		104	107	106	110	157	584

Table 3. Attrition and Persistence Rates by Matriculation Year

		Matriculation Year (Academic Year)					
		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total
Attrition	AW/AD	8%	7%	14%	3%	1%	6%
	W	19%	11%	8%	14%	10%	12%
	Overall	27%	19%	22%	16%	10%	18%
Persistence	Graduated	70%	73%	67%	0%	0%	38%
	Still In Program	3%	8%	11%	84%	90%	44%
	Overall	73%	81%	78%	84%	90%	82%
Enrollment		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

^{**} Full-time Equivalent (FTE). Part-time students counted as 0.5 FTE and full-time students counted as 1.0 FTE.



- As of September 2, 2022, 105 (18%) of the 584 students who started the program between the academic years 2017-18 and 2021-22 left the program without completing it (Tables 2 & 3). Among students who started in the academic year 2021-22, 16 out of 157 students (10%) left the program by the beginning of the second year.
- As of September 2, 2022, 73 of the 104 2017-18 students (70%) had graduated, and 3 students (3%) were still in the program.

Table 4. Graduation Rates, Count, and Time to M.A. Completion

Graduation Rates				
Matriculation Year	Cohort Count	Percentage		
2017-18	104	71.2%		
2018-19	107	75.7%		

Time to Completion				
Graduation Year	Graduate Count	Years		
2020-21	88	2.6		
2021-22	83	2.8		

- Of the students who started in the 2017-18 academic year, 71.2% graduated, and of those who started in the 2018-19 academic year, 75.7% graduated, by the spring of 2023 (Table 4).
- Students who completed the programs in the 2020-21 to 2021-22 academic years took between 2 and 3 years on average to complete their M.A. (Table 4).

Table 5. 2021-22 Course Evaluation Results

% of Maximum Score	Fall 2021	Winter 2022	Spring 2022	Summer 2022
The instructor respected the ideas and opinions of others.	92%	92%	87%	89%
The instructor was reasonably accessible either in person, by phone, or by e-mail.	88%	89%	90%	91%
The instructor is knowledgeable about the topic	96%	93%	92%	92%
The instructor provided clear feedback on assignments or discussions.	88%	84%	82%	85%
The instructor was adequately prepared to teach the course.	93%	89%	88%	91%
The instructor was skillful at maintaining focus throughout the course.	87%	86%	82%	90%
The instructor was passionate about the course and materials.	96%	92%	91%	94%
The course encouraged reflection on cross-cultural material, multi-cultural perspectives, global issues, or community issues.	88%	85%	84%	87%
The course encouraged me to think creatively or more deeply about the topic.	90%	86%	84%	89%
Number of Classes	53	61	36	44
Average Response Rate	20%	14%	18%	14%

- Course evaluations for the academic year 2021-22 were very positive on all dimensions, with quarterly ratings ranging between 82% and 96% of the maximum score (Table 5).
- The item "The instructor was skillful at maintaining focus throughout the course" was the lowest rated (82%-87%) across the Winter, Spring, and Summer 2022 quarters.
- The item "The instructor is knowledgeable about the topic" was the highest rated (92%-96%) in the Fall 2021, Winter 2022, and Spring 2022 quarters.
- The quarterly response rate ranged between 14% (Winter and Summer 2022, 61 and 44 evaluations respectively) and 20% (Fall 2021, 53 evaluations).



Table 6. Clinical Licensure – LMFT Clinical and Law & Ethics and LPCC Law & Ethics Pass Rates 1/1 -12/31/2022

		All Candidates	
	N Total	N Passed	% Passed
LMFT Clinical Exam	55	44	80%
LMFT Law & Ethics	75	67	89%
LPCC Law & Ethics	4	4	100%

- In 2022, 55 graduates from Pacifica Counseling Psychology program attempted the LMFT Clinical Exam and 44 (80%) passed (Table 6).
- Just under ninety percent (89%) of 75 graduates who took the LMFT Law & Ethics exam passed (67).
- All four graduates (100%) who took the LPCC Law & Ethics exam in 2022 passed.

Glossary

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Term	Definition	
Academic Disqualification (AD)	Academic disqualification refers to a student being disqualified for academic reasons.	
Administrative Withdrawal (AW)	An administrative withdrawal occurs after a program time limit has expired, or a student leave of absence has expired, and the student has been inactive for more than a quarter.	
Attrition	This category includes students administratively withdrawn or academically disqualified.	
LMFT Clinical Exam	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Clinical Exam	
LMFT Law & Ethics	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Law and Ethics Exam	
LPCC Law & Ethics	Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor Law and Ethics Exam	
Persistence	This category combines students who graduated and those who are still enrolled in the program at a "census date" (specified snapshot date).	
Still In Program	This category includes students in the coursework or dissertation phase. Students who are on leave of absence are considered still in the program.	
Withdrawal (W)	This status indicates a student's voluntary withdrawal.	