



Program in Counseling Psychology (M.A.) 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-to-Student Ratio 2024-25

Full-time faculty FTE*	8.3	Full-time faculty count	8.0
Adjunct faculty FTE*	24.2	Adjunct faculty count	30.0
Student FTE**	292.5		
Faculty/Student Ratio	1 : 9.0		

* 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).

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

- In the 2024-25 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)							Total
		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	
Attrition	AW/AD	7	7	15	13	10	2	1	55
	W	17	12	8	13	17	5	6	78
	Total	24	19	23	26	27	7	7	133
Persistence	Graduated	75	84	73	75	89			396
	Still In Program		1	4	7	14	92	108	226
	Total	75	85	77	82	103	92	108	622
Enrollment		99	104	100	108	130	99	115	755

Table 3. Attrition and Persistence Rates by Matriculation Year

		Matriculation Year (Academic Year)							Total
		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	
Attrition	AW/AD	7%	7%	15%	12%	8%	2%	1%	7%
	W	17%	12%	8%	12%	13%	5%	5%	10%
	Overall	24%	18%	23%	24%	21%	7%	6%	18%
Persistence	Graduated	76%	81%	73%	69%	68%	0%	0%	52%
	Still In Program	0%	1%	4%	6%	11%	93%	94%	30%
	Overall	76%	82%	77%	76%	79%	93%	94%	82%
Enrollment		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

- As of January 2025, 52 percent of the 755 students who started the program between the academic years 2017-18 and 2023-24 graduated (Tables 2 and 3). The average time to complete the program is 2.8 years.
- The 2018-19 cohort has the highest graduation rate (81 percent). The highest persistence rate is among those who completed their first years (94 percent of the 2023-24 cohort) and those who completed their second years (93 percent of 2022-23 cohort).



Table 4. Graduation Rates by Demographic Identification

		Graduation Year			
		2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	Total
Gender	Female	56%	44%	55%	52%
	Male	23%	17%	20%	20%
	Unknown	21%	40%	25%	28%
Ethnicity	American Indian or Alaska Native	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Asian	1%	4%	6%	4%
	Black or African American	1%	0%	0%	<1%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Hispanic	10%	8%	6%	8%
	Two or more	2%	0%	6%	3%
	Undeclared	24%	40%	31%	31%
	White	62%	49%	51%	54%
Graduated		100%	100%	100%	100%

- As of this report, 52 percent of the graduates over the last three academic years identified as female, 20 percent identified as male, and 28 percent chose not to identify their gender (Table 4).
- Over a third of the graduates represented chose not to identify their race or ethnicity, and over half of the graduates identified their race/ethnicity as White (54 percent). The next largest ethnicity selected among these graduates overall was Hispanic (8 percent), then Asian (4 percent), then Black or African American (<1 percent). Three percent of the graduates selected “two or more” ethnicities.

Table 5. M.A. Counseling Psychology Average Time-to-Degree Completion (in Years)*

	Graduation Year			Overall
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	
Counseling Psychology MA Years	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.8
Institute All Terminal MA Years	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.8
Counseling Psychology MA Count	84	78	101	84
Institute All Terminal MA Count	100	89	118	100

* Counseling MA 100% time-to-degree length is published as 30 months (2.5 years). The 150% time-to-degree completion is 45 months (3.8 years).

- The overall time-to-completion for 2021-22 through 2023-24 graduates was 2.8 years (Table 5).
- Compared to terminal-MA graduates at the institute overall, this program has the same average times to completion, as they make up 84 percent of graduates across the three years studied.



Table 6. 2023-24 Course Evaluation Results

Survey Statement	Average Rating (Four-point scale converted to rate, where 4.0 = 100%)			
	Fall 2023	Winter 2024	Spring 2024	Summer 2024
The instructor respected the ideas and opinions of others.	90%	93%	94%	91%
The instructor was reasonably accessible either in person, by phone, or by e-mail.	87%	86%	94%	88%
The instructor is knowledgeable about the topic.	93%	92%	95%	92%
The instructor provided clear feedback on assignments or discussions.	88%	85%	94%	89%
The instructor was adequately prepared to teach the course.	91%	88%	94%	90%
The instructor was skillful at maintaining focus throughout the course.	88%	87%	90%	87%
The instructor was passionate about the course and materials.	87%	86%	89%	88%
The course encouraged reflection on cross-cultural material, multi-cultural perspectives, global issues, or community issues.	93%	88%	96%	93%
The course encouraged me to think creatively or more deeply about the topic.	87%	80%	90%	88%
Respondents	223	163	102	306
Enrollments	1,382	919	988	1,629
Response Rate	19%	23%	13%	21%

- Overall, all courses received a good level of approval for the academic year 2023-24, ranging from 80 to 96 percent of the maximum rating (Table 6).
- The highest average rating across all terms (95 percent) was for the statements, “The instructor is knowledgeable about the topic,” and “The course encouraged reflection on cross-cultural material, multi-cultural perspectives.”

Table 7. Clinical Licensure Exam Pass Rates 1/1/2024 - 12/31/2024

Exam	Total Taking Exam	Total Pass	Pass Rate
LMFT Clinical Exam	62	57	92%
LMFT Law & Ethics	66	59	89%
LPCC Law & Ethics	10	10	100%

- In 2024, all ten graduates who took the LPCC Law & Ethics Exam passed (Table 7).
- Over 90 percent of those who took the LMFT Clinical Exam passed.
- Just under 90 percent of the graduates who took the LMFT Law & Ethics exam passed.



Glossary

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.