### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Graduate application and other required documents indicated on the application form.
- An interview with clinical psychology faculty.
- BA Psychology degree or closely related field is required, from an accredited university.
- BA degree in non-psychology field requires completion of psychology pre-requisite course work prior to full admission.

# Why a Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology?

Make A Difference.

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#### **Dual Accreditation**

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Launched in May 2012, this specialized program is designed to provide the academic, research and experiential training consistent with American Standards of practice in clinical psychology.

The American Psychology Association's (APA) ethical standards are incorporated in both content and practice. Graduates will be prepared for professional practice utilizing a range of clinical psychotherapy assessment, diagnosis and treatment skills in providing mental health services in public and private setting.

## **Program Description**

The MA in Clinical Psychology program is a practitioner model to promote professional mental health services to individuals, couples, groups, institutions and the society at large. The program will provide education and training in professional standards of practice in clinical psychology.

Furthermore, international ethical standards are incorporated into the program, to prepare the student for clinical practice in both public and private domain worldwide.

The program's global quality and standards are professionally delivered by distinguished international faculty with recognized expertise in clinical psychology.

In addition to other PsyD application requirements, this degree meets the eligibility criteria for the Doctor of Psychology (PsyD) Clinical Psychology program.

## **Program Learning Outcomes**

- Review and synthesize empirical research in clinical psychology and write literature reviews following APA style.
- Distinguish among the theoretical orientations utilized in psychotherapy.
- Conduct mental status exams, psychological assessments, genograms and case conceptualization.
- Diagnose the major DSM 5 disorders, symptoms and differential diagnoses utilizing the APA diagnostic system.
- Utilize psychotherapeutic techniques and skills when providing treatment.
- Write clinical progress notes, empirically based treatment plans, psychological reports, and case presentations.
- Apply and maintain professional ethics and the law following the APA standards.

#### **DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

**54 UNITS** 

#### CORE COURSES

15 UNITS

PSY 6002 Methods of Research

PSY 6110 Personality and Affect

PSY 6114 Life Cycle Developmental Psychology

PSY 6220 Professional Ethics and the Law

PSY 6703 Neuropsychology and Biological Basis of Behavior

#### SPECIALIZATION COURSES

27 UNITS

PSY 6116 Issues of Chemical Dependency

PSY 6704 Clinical Psychopathology I: Assessment and Diagnosis

PSY 6707 History and Systems of Psychology

PSY 6710 Clinical Psychopathology II: Conceptualization and Treatment

PSY 6711 Clinical Research and Statistics

PSY 6713 Process of Group Therapy

PSY 6716 Clinical Research Practicum & Course Project

(Exempt if thesis is completed)

PSY 6717 Psychological Trauma, Risk Assessment,

Crisis Intervention, Partner & Family Violence

PSY 6718 Clinical Psychotherapy Skills Lab

#### PERSONAL THERAPY REQUIREMENT

Before beginning Clinical Practicum I, completion of 25 hours of personal therapy is required.

#### **CLINICAL PRACTICUM COURSES**

9 UNITS

PSY 6771 Clinical Practicum I 200 hours
PSY 6772 Clinical Practicum II 200 hours
PSY 6773 Clinical Practicum III 200 hours

#### **ELECTIVE COURSE**

3 UNITS

One elective course selected in consultation with psychology faculty.

PSY 6319 Survey of Assessment Procedures

PSY 6259 Psychopharmacology for Psychologists

PSY 6713 Parent-Child Therapy Techniques

PSY 6405 I/O Psychology, Basic Skills

PSY 6268 Psychological Practice in Gerentology

PSY 6324 Counseling with the Medical Population

PSY 6208 Child Psychopathology