



Master of Arts in Counseling (MAC)

66 Credit Hours

3 years ~ Evenings & Weekends ~ Full-time enrollment, 12 hours per semester

The MAC degree is designed for persons seeking graduate-level instruction in counseling and a curriculum that provides opportunities to integrate counseling theories and techniques with pastoral approaches and perspectives. The 66-hour MAC curriculum consists of 15 credit hours of core courses (Bible, theology, and ethics) and 51 hours of courses directly related to counseling.

MAC Program Goals:

Through core courses in Biblical studies, history, theology, and ethics and through in-depth study of theories of human development, personality assessment, counseling theory and practice, students:

- secure the theoretical and practical understanding necessary for professional counseling, including the academic foundation for passing the State of Texas qualifying examination for the credential of Licensed Professional Counselor;
- develop an informed and sympathetic approach to religious-particularly Christian-expression, narrative, and aspiration as it is presented within the clinical setting;
- achieve competence in assessment, case formulation, and strategies of intervention within the context of a respectful therapeutic relationship, accompanied by a critical self-awareness on the part of the therapist;
- develop the skills for a discerning theological reading of a client's narrative, one able to inform the process of healing, whether or not that reading is made explicit in the counseling context;
- form and commit to personal spiritual practices capable of sustaining the vocation of a counselor;
- prepare to exercise the vocation of counseling with the highest standards of professional ethics and expertise.

LPC Requirements:

The MAC curriculum provides the academic foundation, including the 300-hour practicum requirement, specified by the State of Texas for the credential of Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC). While conforming to the State of Texas requirements, courses in the MAC program at the Seminary are taught from a Christian faith perspective such that professional and pastoral competence is emphasized.

Requirements for the LPC license in Texas include:

- (1) completion of a graduate degree of at least 48 hours as specified by the Department of State Health Services;
- (2) a passing score on the State of Texas licensing examinations;
- (3) a post-graduate supervised internship of 3000 hours.

As with other counseling programs, the MAC program at Seminary of the Southwest does not administer the licensing examination or provide for placement in an internship. Pursued upon graduation, successful completion of licensure is the responsibility of the student and not of the Seminary. Students from states other than Texas are responsible for determining the requirements of those examining boards. Students and prospective students are urged to obtain current requirements for licensure from the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors at (512) 834-6658 or at www.dshs.state.tx.us/counselor, select "Apply for a new License" on the website.



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Degree Plan for Full Time Student

2/10/10

Fall 2011	Spring 2012
T5320 Historical and Theological Basis for Ministry II (C)	B5310 Biblical Basis for Ministry I (C)
C5304 Appraisal and Assessment Techniques (P)	C5303 Counseling Theories (P)
C5306 Theories and Methods for Group Counseling (R)	C5311 Research Methods for Counseling Professionals (R)
Elective	Elective
Total – 12 credits	Total – 12 credits
Summer 2012	
B5320 Biblical Basis for Ministry II (C)	
C5301 Normal Human Development (P)	
Total – 6 credits	
Fall 2012	Spring 2013
T5340 Ethics in Ministry (C)	T5310 Historical and Theological Basis for Ministry I (C)
C5305 Theories and Methods for Individual Counseling (P)	C5302 Abnormal Human Behavior (P)
C5310 Career Counseling and Development (R)	C5309 Professional Ethics (R)
Elective	Elective
Total – 12 credits	Total – 12 credits
Fall 2013	Spring 2014
C5307 Theories and Methods for Marriage and Family Counseling (R)	C5308 Counseling in a Multi-Cultural Society: Identity & Difference (R)
C5312 Counseling Practicum A (R)	C5313 Counseling Practicum B (R)
Total – 6 credits	Total – 6 credits

(C) – Core Course (P) – Pre-requisite Course (R) – Required Course

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PROJECTED COURSE SCHEDULE

MAC-MCPC

11/3/11

MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING – 66 CREDITS									
Term	Fall 2011	Spring 2012	Summer 2012	Fall 2012	Spring 2013	Summer 2013	Fall 2013	Spring 2014	Summer 2014
Core Courses	T5320 Hist/Theological Basis for Ministry II (A) weekend course	B5310 Biblical Basis I (A) weekend course	B5320 Biblical Basis II evening/wkd. course	T5340 Ethics in Ministry (A) weekend course	T5310 Hist/Theological Basis for Ministry I (A) weekend course	T5320 Hist/Theological Basis for Ministry II evening/wkd. course	B5310 Biblical Basis I (A) weekend course	B5320 Biblical Basis II (A) weekend course	T5340 Ethics in Ministry evening/wkd. course
Required Courses**	C5304 Appraisal & Assessment Techniques (B) weekend course	C5303 Counseling Theories (B) weekend course	C5301 Normal Human Development evening/wkd. course	C5305 Individual Counseling (B) weekend course	C5302 Abnormal Human Behavior (B) weekend course	C5304 Appraisal & Assessment Techniques evening/wkd. course	C5303 Counseling Theories (B) weekend course	C5301 Normal Human Development (B) weekend course	C5305 Individual Counseling evening/wkd. course
Required Courses	C5306 Group Counseling evening course	C5311 Research Methods evening course		C5310 Career Counseling evening course	C5309 Professional Ethics evening course		C5307 Marriage and Family Counseling evening course	C5308 Multicultural: Identity & Difference evening course	
Required Courses	C5312/C5313 Practicum evening course	C5313 Practicum evening course	C5312 Practicum evening course	C5312/C5313 Practicum evening course	C5313 Practicum evening course	C5312 Practicum evening course	C5312/C5313 Practicum evening course	C5313 Practicum evening course	C5312 Practicum evening course
Elective Courses	C5314 Chemical Dependency evening course	C5325 Treatment & Recovery in Addiction evening course	C5326 Trauma/Crisis Intervention evening/wkd. course	C5317 Medical Issues & Healing Presence evening course	C5315 Counseling Children & Adolescents evening course	C5323 Marriage & Couples Therapy evening/wkd. course	C5324 Adolescence, Family Sys. & Assess. evening course	C5321 Counseling from a Pastoral Perspective evening course	C5326 Trauma/Crisis Intervention evening/wkd. course
Elective Courses				P5340 Issues in Death & Dying evening course	P5302 Christian Forgiveness evening course		P5350 Issues in Loss and Bereavement evening course		
MASTER OF ARTS IN CHAPLAINCY AND PASTORAL CARE – 72 CREDITS									
Term	Fall 2011	Spring 2012	Summer 2012	Fall 2012	Spring 2013	Summer 2013	Fall 2013	Spring 2014	Summer 2014
Core Courses	T5320 Hist/Theological Basis for Ministry II (A) weekend course	B5310 Biblical Basis I (A) weekend course	B5320 Biblical Basis II evening/wkd. course	T5340 Ethics in Ministry (A) weekend course	T5310 Hist/Theological Basis for Ministry I (A) weekend course	T5320 Hist/Theological Basis for Ministry II evening/wkd. course	B5310 Biblical Basis I (A) weekend course	B5320 Biblical Basis II (A) weekend course	T5340 Ethics in Ministry evening/wkd. course
Required Courses	C5304 Appraisal & Assessment (B) weekend course	P5330 Identity & Authority in Chaplaincy (B) weekend course		C5317 Medical Issues & Healing Presence evening course	P5360 Ministry in Times of Crisis (B) weekend course	C5304 Appraisal & Assessment evening/wkd. course	F5305 Faith Development (B) weekend course	F5306 World Religions (B) weekend course	
Required Courses	L5310 Liturgy & Ritual in the Pastoral Context evening course	P5320 Organizational Development evening course		P5340 Issues in Death & Dying evening course			P5350 Issues in Loss and Bereavement evening course	P5310 Preach/Teach for the Chaplain evening course	
Elective Courses	C5314 Chemical Dependency evening course	C5303 Counseling Theories (B) weekend course	C5326 Trauma/Crisis Intervention evening/wkd. course	P5305 Chaplain as Leader evening course	C5302 Abnormal Human Behavior (B) weekend course	Elective evening course	C5303 Counseling Theories (B) weekend course	C5301 Normal Human Development (B) weekend course	C5326 Trauma/Crisis Intervention evening/wkd. course
Elective Courses	P5303 The Bible as a Res. in Pastoral Care evening course (SA)	C5325 Treatment & Recovery in Addiction evening course	C5301 Normal Human Development evening/wkd. course	P5305 Ministry of People with PTSD evening course	C5315 Counseling Children & Adolescents evening course		C5324 Adolescence, Family Sys. & Assess. evening course	C5308 Multicultural: Identity & Difference evening course	
Elective Courses		P5301 Workplace Chaplaincy evening course			P5302 Christian Forgiveness evening course		F5316 Practicum in Theological Reflection evening course	C5321 Counseling from a Pastoral Perspective evening course	

**These courses must be taken before a student can enroll in the counseling practicum (C5312/C5313) (MAC degree only)

Weekend courses meet every other weekend on Friday night and Saturdays. (i.e., class #1 will meet on a Friday night and Saturday afternoon; class #2 on Saturday morning. Two weeks later, class #2 meets on Friday night and Saturday afternoon, and class #1 meets on Saturday morning)

Evening courses meet on designated weeknights from 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Summer courses are intensive offerings, Classes meet twice weekly for three hours each meeting, usually on a weeknight and on Saturday. The summer session begins the last week of May and concludes in the last week of June or the first week of July.

Students are encouraged to take required courses at the earliest opportunity, however course do not need to be taken in a prescribed order.