

# MDIV AND MA IN COUNSELING DUAL DEGREE

## About Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Counseling Dual Degree

A dual degree student will graduate with two master's degrees in less time than it would take to complete those degrees individually. The dual degree [Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Counseling](#) combines the theological, biblical, and pastoral training of a [Master of Divinity](#) with the psychologically and spiritually grounded professional counseling training of the Master of Arts in Counseling degree.

## Admissions Requirements

To be admitted to the dual-degree program, students must be accepted to both the Master of Divinity program and the Master of Arts in Counseling program. Students may fill out one application for both programs. Applicants are strongly encouraged to communicate how they will integrate the two degrees in their essay. They must also choose an academic reference, a pastoral reference, and a professional reference. Applications for the MDiv/MAC dual degree are requested by March 1. Applications may be accepted after this date.

## Degree Requirements (120 credits)

- 60 credit hours of coursework for the Master of Divinity degree. Advisors will help students decide how the Master of Divinity core requirements will be reduced.
- 60 credit hours toward the Master of Arts in Counseling degree. Three of these credits are designated as a counseling elective, which could occur in the seminary context.

The dual degree advisor will work with each student on a case-by-case basis to determine which course substitutions are more suitable in light of schedule constraints and individual needs.

Students will generally spend two full years in the Master of Arts in Counseling program. The sequencing of the seminary studies will be decided on an individual basis.

## Seminary core requirements (60 credits)

- FS 501 Formation in God's Story I (3 SH)
- FS 502 Formation in God's Story II (3 SH)
- FS 601 Formation in Ministry I (3 SH)
- FS 602 Formation in Ministry II (3 SH)
- BVOT 511 Old Testament: Text in Context (3 SH)
- BVNT 512 New Testament: Text in Context (3 SH)
- CTH 501 Christian Tradition I (3 SH)
- CTH 512 Christian Tradition II (3 SH)
- CTT 634 Living Theology (3 SH)
- CM 643 *Missio Dei* in Cultural Context (3 SH)
- CTE 702 Christian Ethics (3 SH)
- [12 hours of Biblical languages or the alternate language track](#)

## Master of Arts in Counseling core requirements (60 credits)

- COUN 507 Professional Identity, Function and Ethics (3 SH)
- COUN 508 Counseling Techniques (3 SH)
- COUN 509 Supervision and Consultation (3 SH)
- COUN 517 Human Growth and Development (3 SH)
- COUN 518 Integrated Counseling Process (3 SH)
- COUN 527 Psychopathology (3 SH)

- COUN 530 Advanced Psychopathology (2 SH)
- COUN 536 Foundations in Research & Program Evaluation: Theory, Design & Foundational Statistics (3 SH)
- COUN 547 Counseling Theories (3 SH)
- COUN 557 Assessment and Evaluation Procedures (3 SH)
- COUN 567 Group Counseling (3 SH)
- COUN 587 Crisis Counseling (2 SH)
- COUN 607 Multicultural Counseling (3 SH)
- COUN 610 Advanced Multicultural Counseling (2 SH)
- COUN 617 Counseling Children and Adolescents (2 SH)
- COUN 627 Marriage and Family Counseling (3 SH)
- COUN 637 Career Development (3 SH)
- COUN 687 Expressive Therapies: Archetypal Explorations (1 SH)
- COUN 697 Addictions Counseling (3 SH)
- Clinical Mental Health: Health and Philosophy
- Internship and practicum experiences are also required.