



# College of Arts and Science

## Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology



### About Our Program

Our mission is to prepare you to become a licensed professional counselor or licensed psychology associate. The MACP program will prepare you to serve the mental health needs of communities and individuals from diverse backgrounds. You will also learn to use preventative strategies to promote mental health while responding sensitively to the special life issues of border communities.

### About Our Faculty

Psychology faculty members have doctoral degrees and emphasize the wide range of subjects within the discipline such as School, Counseling, and Clinical Psychology as well as Counseling Education. You will find our faculty members open, available, and eager to help our students explore the fascinating world of human behavior, motivation, cultural responsive practices, development, cognition and memory. Our faculty has applied research opportunities enabling you to work with children, adolescents, adults, and families. Call our department office and ask to speak with one of our faculty members. You will be welcomed.



### Why You Should Come Here

The MACP program at TAMIU offers a wonderful opportunity to work with Spanish-speaking populations given our geographical location as a border city with México. Most of our faculty members are bilingual and we offer specialized training for those interested in obtaining a Bilingual (Spanish-English) Counselor Certificate that includes terminology and applied training in Spanish. We are currently offering experiences to study abroad and practice your skills with diverse Spanish-speaking populations. In addition, TAMIU offers competitive assistantships, fellowships, and scholarships that can help you pay for tuition and living expenses while you focus on your studies full-time.

### Program Admission Requirements

- Apply via [applytexas.org](http://applytexas.org).
- Submit official transcript(s) from every college or university attended.
- Submit student 300-word narrative/essay.
- Submit official GRE/GMAT scores (*if applicable*).
- Completion of four prerequisites undergraduate courses (with a grade of "B" or better): PSYC 3302, PSYC 4301, PSYC 4303, and PSYC 4308.
- Three letters of recommendation.
- Interview
- International students must also submit:
  - Official Certificate of Graduation
  - TOEFL or IELTS scores
  - Financial Statement Form
  - Letter of Sponsorship
  - Bank Statement.

*The application deadline is April 30 (domestic/international).*

# Thesis Plan

## Major Curriculum - Counseling Psychology 60 SCH

### Required courses:

PSYC 5301 - Introduction to Counseling and Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5303 - Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5305 - Human Development Across the Lifespan  
PSYC 5307 - Psychopathology  
PSYC 5310 - Ethical, Legal and Professional Issues in Counseling  
PSYC 5315 - Group Counseling and Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5320 - Research Design and Statistics  
PSYC 5324 - Crisis Counseling  
PSYC 5325 - Marriage and Family Therapies  
PSYC 5327 - Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5331 - Appraisal Techniques  
PSYC 5336 - Multicultural Issues in Counseling  
PSYC 5340 - Career Counseling and Development  
PSYC 5337 - Community Mental Health for Diverse Populations  
PSYC 5338 - Alcohol/Drug Counseling: Theory and Practice

### Two electives chosen from:

6 SCH

PSYC 5135-5335 / PSYC 5302 / PSYC 5304 / PSYC 5329  
PSYC 5337 / PSYC 5338 / PSYC 5341 / PSYC 5355 / PSYC 5370 / PSYC 5395

### Supervised clinical experience

6 SCH

*(Students MUST have completed and passed: PSYC 5301, 5303, 5307, 5310, & 5315)*

PSYC 5350 - Counseling Practicum  
PSYC 5352 - Counseling Internship I

### Thesis

3 SCH

PSYC 5399 – Thesis or Internship II

### Comprehensive Exams

Students enrolled in the MACP program are required to successfully pass the comprehensive exam as part of completion of the MACP program and eligibility for graduation.



# Non-Thesis Plan

## Major Curriculum - Counseling Psychology 60 SCH

### Required courses:

PSYC 5301 - Introduction to Counseling and Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5303 - Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5305 - Human Development Across the Lifespan  
PSYC 5307 - Psychopathology  
PSYC 5310 - Ethical, Legal and Professional Issues in Counseling  
PSYC 5315 - Group Counseling and Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5320 - Research Design and Statistics  
PSYC 5324 - Crisis Counseling  
PSYC 5325 - Marriage and Family Therapies  
PSYC 5327 - Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy  
PSYC 5331 - Appraisal Techniques  
PSYC 5336 - Multicultural Issues in Counseling  
PSYC 5340 - Career Counseling and Development  
PSYC 5337 - Community Mental Health for Diverse Populations  
PSYC 5338 - Alcohol/Drug Counseling: Theory and Practice  
PSYC 5340 - Career Counseling and Development

### Two electives chosen from:

6 SCH

PSYC 5135-5335 / PSYC 5302 / PSYC 5304 / PSYC 5338  
PSYC 5341 / PSYC 5355 / PSYC 5370

### Supervised clinical experience

9 SCH

PSYC 5350 - Counseling Practicum  
PSYC 5352 - Counseling Internship I  
PSYC 5354 - Counseling Internship II



TEXAS A&M **INTERNATIONAL** UNIVERSITY

**For more detailed information, please email or visit:**

**E.** [sara.castro@tamiu.edu](mailto:sara.castro@tamiu.edu)

**W.** [www.tamiu.edu/gradschool](http://www.tamiu.edu/gradschool)