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COURSE REGULATIONS

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF COUNSELLING SKILLS
GradDipCouns

COURSE CODE: 4041

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SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

1. These Course Regulations apply to all students who are enrolled in this Award on the Fremantle Campus.
2. The Dean is the responsible Executive of these Course Regulations.
3. The contact officer for this document is the Assistant Dean, School of Arts and Sciences, Fremantle campus.

MODIFICATION HISTORY

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1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Introduction

These Course Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

These Regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's General Regulations and the School of Arts and Sciences Regulations.

1.2 Interpretation

The terms included in these Regulations have the meanings as defined in the University's General Regulations and the School of Arts and Sciences Regulations.

1.3 Amendments made to Course Regulations

Unless otherwise specified, when amendments are made to the structure, content or academic requirements of the Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award, the amendments will automatically apply in accordance with General Regulation Section 1.7.

1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

The Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award is available on the Fremantle Campus only.

1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award is a Level 8 AQF qualification.

2 ENTRY CRITERIA

2.1 General Criteria

The standard entry requirements for admission are detailed in the University's General Regulations and the School of Arts and Sciences Regulations.

2.2 Additional Entry Requirements / Pre-Requisites

The following entry requirements apply to this Award:

- (a) An applicant must usually hold a Bachelor's degree or equivalent in a related area.
- (b) An applicant must have completed a unit in Developmental Psychology or equivalent as determined by the Dean (or delegate). An applicant who has not completed such a unit will usually be required to enrol in and successfully complete PS100 Developmental Psychology concurrently with the Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills.

Special Requirements for Entry

- (a) Applicants must have access to clients. This is necessary to undertake the casework required for CN414 Supervision and Case Studies. The University does not provide placements for students in this course.
- (b) Successful applicants are required to provide a National Police Certificate to the Dean (or delegate) before their enrolment can be finalised.

2.3 External Accreditation Requirements

External accreditation requirements are not applicable to this Award.

3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Structure

For the Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award Structure, refer to Appendix A.

3.1.1 Compulsory Units

The structure of this Award, including all compulsory and elective units, is attached at Appendix A.

3.1.2 Elective Units

There are no Electives within this Award.

3.1.3 Majors

There are no Majors available in this Award.

3.1.4 Minors

There are no Minors available in this Award.

3.1.5 Specialisations

There are no Specialisations permitted in this Award.

3.1.6 Special Interest Units

There are no Special Interest units available in this Award.

3.2 Special Award Requirements

There are no special award requirements in this Award.

3.3 Practicum or Internship requirements

There are no Practicum or Internship requirements in this Award.

3.4 Approved unit substitutions

Unit substitutions, where permitted, must be approved by the Dean.

3.5 Alternative Pathways

Alternative pathways are not applicable in this Award.

3.6 Volume of Learning

3.6.1 Standard Duration

- (a) The standard duration for the Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award is one (1) year of equivalent full-time study.
- (b) A student is not able to enrol in this Award on a part-time basis.

3.6.2 Accelerated Duration

An accelerated mode is not available for the Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award.

3.6.3 Maximum Duration

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Graduate Diploma of Counselling Skills Award is four (4) years (including any periods of approved leave of absence) from the date on which they were first enrolled into the course by the University.

3.7 Graduation

Where a student has satisfied all the requirements of this Award as detailed in these Course Regulations and the General Regulations, the University may grant the student graduation status.

3.8 Exit Awards

An Exit Award pathway is not available for this Award.

END OF REGULATIONS



APPENDIX A: Indicative course structure

			Credit Points	Totals
COMPULSORY UNITS:				
CN400	Theories & Approaches to Counselling	Year long unit	20	
CN410	Counselling Skills	Year long unit	20	
CN412	Personal Growth Group	Year long unit	20	
CN413	Counselling Couples & Families	Year long unit	20	
CN414	Supervision & Case Studies	Year long unit	20	
CN415	Seminar Presentations	Year long unit	20	
CN409	Narrative Therapy		20	
CN411	Trauma Counselling		20	
CN407	Psychosexual Therapy Workshop		15	
ET502	Ethics Issues and Professional Life		25	
Total Credit Points				200