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SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

MASTER OF COUNSELLING

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SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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

MODIFICATION HISTORY

1. These Program Regulations are effective from 1 January 2018.

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1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Introduction

These Program Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Master of Counselling 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 Program Regulations

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

1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

The Master of Counselling Award is available on the Fremantle and Sydney Campuses.

1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Master of Counselling Award is a Level 9 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:

Pre-requisites

(a) An applicant must usually hold a Bachelor's degree or equivalent in a related area.

Special Requirements for Entry

(a) Admission into the Master of Counselling requires a selection interview with a member of the Counselling staff. At the interview the applicant will be required to demonstrate a suitable degree of mature life experience as defined by the Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia (PACFA) which is the competent authority that provides accreditation for this course.

(b) Successful applicants are required to provide a National Police Certificate to the Dean (or delegate) before their enrolment can be finalized.

2.3 External Accreditation Requirements

External accreditation requirements are applicable to this Award. The accrediting body is the Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia (PACFA).

3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Structure

For the Master of Counselling Award Structure, refer to Appendix A.

3.1.1 Compulsory Courses

There are compulsory courses within this Award. Please see Appendix A for details.

3.1.2 Elective Courses

There are Elective unit(s) within this Award. There are Elective course(s) within this Award. Please see Appendix A for details.

3.1.3 Majors

There are no Majors or Double 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 Courses

There are no Special Interest courses available in this Award.

3.2 Special Award Requirements

There are no special award requirements in this Award.

3.3 Practicum or Internship requirements

Students are required to complete COUN6006 Placement, Supervision and Case Studies A and COUN6007 Placement, Supervision and Case Studies B. The length of the placement is normally 200 hours. Details about placements will be provided by the Practicum Coordinator.

3.4 Approved course substitutions

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

3.5 Alternative Pathways

Alternative pathways are not applicable to this Award.

3.6 Volume of Learning

3.6.1 Standard Duration

- (a) The standard duration for the Master of Counselling Award is two (2) years of equivalent full-time study.
- (b) A student is able to enrol in this Award on a part-time basis.

3.6.2 Accelerated Duration

An accelerated mode is not available for this Award.

3.6.3 Maximum Duration

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Master of Counselling Award is six (6) years (including any periods of approved leave of absence) from the date on which they were first enrolled into the program by the University.

3.7 Graduation

Where a student has satisfied all the requirements of this Award as detailed in these Program 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

YEAR ONE					
SEMESTER ONE			SEMESTER TWO		
Course Code	Title	Units of Credit	Course Code	Title	Units of Credit
COUN6000	Interpersonal Group Practice	25	COUN6004	Theory and Process of Group Facilitation	25
COUN6001	Counselling Skills	25	COUN6005	Family Systems and Couples	25
COUN6002	Theoretical Approaches to Counselling	25	RSCH5010	Research Methods	25
COUN6003	Approaches to Mental Health	25	PHIL6020	Ethical Issues in Professional Life	25
Total Units of Credit		100	Total Units of Credit		100
Total Units of Credit Year One					200
YEAR TWO					
SEMESTER ONE			SEMESTER TWO		
Course Code	Title	Units of Credit	Course Code	Title	Units of Credit
COUN6006	Placement, Supervision and Case Studies A	25	COUN6007	Placement, Supervision and Case Studies B	25
COUN6008	Professional Practice	25	COUN6009	Trauma, Loss and Grief Counselling	25
	Research Elective	25	COUN6010	Specialised Counselling Approaches	25
	Research Elective	25		Research Elective	25
Total Units of Credit		100	Total Units of Credit		100
Total Units of Credit Year Two					200
TOTAL PROGRAM Units of CREDIT					400

*** Note: all courses listed on this planner are required for the completion of this degree. The semester in which they are offered, and the campus upon which the research electives are available, may vary. Please consult with your program.

Master of Counselling Research Electives:

Course Code	Course Title	Units of Credit
ARTS6000	Literature Review	25
ARTS6001	Professional Project	25
ARTS6002	Experience the World	25
ARTS6003	Research Project	25
ARTS6004	Research Project	25
ARTS6005	Special Project	25
ARTS6030	Professional Group Project	25
RSCH7000	Quantitative Research Methods	25
RSCH7001	Qualitative Research Methods	25
RSCH7002	Scholarly Writing and Publication	25
RSCH7003	Developing a Research Proposal	25