also attend the Professional/Case Practicum Seminar (PCC 661). The internship (PCC 680/681/682) for Professional Clinical Counseling students preparing for licensure is a calendar year of at least 600 clock hours, 300 of which are direct client hours—the usual clinical internship placement involves 12 to 15 hours per week of on-site service. While engaged in the internship, students also attend Professional Seminar (PCC/PCMF 690/691/692).

The I/O Psychology students complete an internship or a thesis.

Internship is PCC 685/686, which is over two consecutive semesters and at least 400 clock hours—the usual non-clinical internship involves 12 to 15 hours per week in a business setting. While engaged in the internship, students also attend Professional Seminar (695/696).

Thesis is PCC 688/689, which is over two consecutive semesters. Students will conduct their own research project under the supervision of a faculty advisor.

**Requirements**

In addition to the curricular and field placement requirements, students are required to pass the Written Comprehensive Examination and Oral Comprehensive Examination for graduation. Students must pass the Written Comprehensive Examination prior to applying for Practicum or Internship. Both the Written Comprehensive Examination and the Oral Comprehensive Examination are specific to the student’s degree.

### Counseling and Family Therapy Programs in Bucks County and Montgomery County

Students are able to complete the full Marriage and Family Therapy degree or the Professional Clinical Counseling degree at the La Salle University Bucks County Center in Newtown, PA and at the Montgomery County Center at Metroplex Corporate Center in Plymouth Meeting, PA, as well as at the Main Campus.

For the I/O Psychology degree, courses are offered at the Main Campus. Students may have the opportunity to take electives at all three campuses.

### Curriculum

#### Professional Clinical Counseling

**Master’s Degree Program**

**Credits**

**Required Courses**

- **PCMF 500** Counseling & Psychotherapy: Theories and Interventions 3
- **PCC 501** Professional Orientation and Ethical Practice of Counseling* 3
- **PCC/PCMF 502** Counseling Laboratory I* 3
- **PCMF 503** Psychopathology 3
- **PCMF 504** Human Behavior: A Developmental Perspective* 3
- **PCMF 505** Systems, Systemic Thinking, and Ethics 3
- **PCMF 506** Basic Principles of Research Design, Statistics, Program Development and Evaluation* 3
- **PCC 509** Psychological Assessment I: Assessment in Clinical and Career Counseling* 3
- **PCC 511** Practice and Concepts of Clinical Mental Health Counseling 3
- **PCC 512** Addictions Counseling 3
- **PCC 601** Grief, Loss, and Trauma Counseling 3
- **PCC/PCMF 602** Advanced Counseling Laboratory 3

- **PCC 612** Group Processes in Counseling and Psychotherapy 3
- **PCMF 619** Multicultural Counseling & Therapy* 3
- **PCC 644** Career Counseling* 3
- **PCC 660** Counseling Practicum* 2
- **PCC 661** Professional/Case Practicum Seminar 1
- **PCC 680** Internship I* 2
- **PCC 681** Internship II* 2
- **PCC 682** Internship III* 2
- **PCC/PCMF 690** Professional Seminar I 1
- **PCC/PCMF 691** Professional Seminar II 1
- **PCC/PCMF 692** Professional Seminar III 1

Total 57

*Required for NBCC Licensure Examination

### Additional 3 credit hours required to meet 60 credits

Choose one of the following:

- **PCC 607** Graduate Research 3
- **PCC 608** Therapeutic Approaches for Children and Adolescents 3
- **PCC 610** Cognitive-Behavioral Approaches in Counseling 3
- **PCC 611** Insight-Oriented Approaches in Counseling and Psychotherapy 3

### Marriage and Family Therapy Degree Program

**Credits**

**Required Courses**

- **PCMF 500** Introduction to Counseling and Psychotherapy 3
- **PCMF 502** Counseling Lab I 3
- **PCMF 503** Psychopathology 3
- **PCMF 504** Human Behavior: A Developmental Perspective 3
- **PCMF 505** Systems, Systemic Thinking and Ethics (F/TR) 3
- **PCMF 506** Basic Principles of Research and Design 3
- **PCMF 602** Advanced Counseling Lab (F/TP) 3
- **PCMF 603** Human Sexuality 3
- **PCMF 608** Therapeutic Approaches for Children and Adolescents (F/TP) 3
- **PCMF 614** Working with Families (F/TP) 3
- **PCMF 616** Contextual Therapy (F/TP) 3
- **PCMF 619** Ethnic, Gender, Class Issues in Counseling 3
- **PCMF 624** Marital and Couples Therapy (F/TP) 3
- **PCMF 628** Understanding Relationships (F/TP) 3
- **PCMF 634** Addictions & the Family (F/TR) 3
- **PCC 680/681/682/683** Internship 6
- **PCC 690/91/92/93** Professional Seminar 3

Total 57

*F/TR = Family Theory

*F/TP = Family Therapy

### Additional 3 credit hours required to meet 60 credits

- **PCMF 607** Graduate Research 3
- **PCMF 601** Grief, Loss and Trauma Counseling 3
- **PCMF 645** Emotional, Behavioral, and Neuro-Developmental Disorders of Childhood 3
- **PCMF 646** Sex Therapy 3
- **PCMF 647** Motivational Interviewing 3

Total 3 credits
Industrial/Organizational Psychology

Master’s Degree Program

(48 Credit Hours)  Credits

PCMF 500  Introduction to Counseling and Psychotherapy  3
PCC 507  Advanced Statistics  3
PCC 508  Cognition and Learning  3
PCC 510  Advanced Research Methods  3
PCC 513  Advanced Social Psychology  3
PCC 533  Advanced I/O Psychology  3
PCC 635  Measurement of Individual Differences  3
PCC 659  Selection/Performance Appraisal  3
MGT 736  Organizational Design  3
MGT 769  Human Resources Development (Training)  3
PCC 685/686*  Internship  3
PCC 695/696  Professional Seminar  9

*The Professional Seminar is taken in conjunction with the Internship

Total 39

Additional 9 credit hours required to meet 48 credits

Choose one of the following:

PCC 509  Assessment in Clinical and Career Counseling  3
PCC 512  Addictions Counseling  3
PCC 644  Career Counseling  3
MBA 810  Self-Assessment in Leadership  3
MGT 744  Power and Influence  3
MGT 752  Management Skills Lab  3
MGT 760  Human Resource Management  3
MGT 775  Irrational Decision Making  3
MGT 780  Managing Effective Teams  3

Course Descriptions

PCMF 500  INTRODUCTION TO COUNSELING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY: THEORIES AND INTERVENTIONS.
2 credits/Core Competency, Core Concentration

This course examines major theories of counseling and psychotherapy and the interventions based on those theories. It includes an emphasis on knowledge, skills, and ethical standards needed to provide direct counseling and psychotherapeutic interventions for individuals, families, and groups.

PCC 501  PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION AND ETHICAL PRACTICE OF COUNSELING
3 credits/Core Competency, Core Concentration

This course instructs the student on the history and philosophy of the counseling profession; in it the student will gain an understanding of the role, function, and interactions counselors engage in with other human service providers. Additionally, the counselors’ role and responsibility with regard to emergency, crisis, and trauma-causing events is examined. Self-care of the counselor, supervision practices and models, overview of professional organizations, advocating for the profession, and advocating for the success of clients is also covered. Personal safety concerns for the counselor is discussed and covered. Throughout the course there is a focus on the ethical standards of the professional organizations, credentialing bodies, and licensing as well as legal issues as related to the professional counselor.

PCMF 502  COUNSELING LABORATORY I
3 credits/Core Competency, Core Concentration

This laboratory course is designed to develop the basic counseling and therapy skills that enables students to understand the client/s, develop a trusting relationship with the client/s, and to facilitate the client/s’ self-exploration. Case conceptualization, treatment planning, and progress notes will be covered. Personal safety concerns for the counselor/therapist is discussed and covered.

PCMF 503  PSYCHOPATHOLOGY
3 credits/Core Competency, Core Concentration

This course discusses the major categories of psychological disorders, as well as theory and research regarding etiology, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment. Introduction to the use of the DSM.

PCMF 504  HUMAN BEHAVIOR: A DEVELOPMENTAL PERSPECTIVE
3 credits/Core Competency, Core Concentration

This course addresses principles of human development and family processes that form the context for the study of human behavior. Special emphasis will be given to grand theories that make important contributions, both historically and currently, to the study of human development, as well as recent discoveries in developmental science. Issues of separation, individuation, and integration in life patterns will be studied within the context of these major theories.

PCMF 505  SYSTEMS, SYSTEMIC THINKING, AND ETHICS
3 credits/Concentration Option, Core Competency, Core Concentration

This course provides the student with an overview and consideration of family functioning. It includes family structure, family development, family health, family dysfunction, and family treatment. Particular emphasis is placed on acquiring a systems perspective and applying that perspective to an understanding of family functioning. Ethics and diversity are considered and included in the overall systemic view and thinking. Personal safety concerns for the marriage and family therapist is discussed and covered.

PCMF 506  BASIC PRINCIPLES OF RESEARCH DESIGN, STATISTICS, PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT, AND EVALUATION
3 credits/Core Competency, Core Concentration

This consumer-oriented course focuses on broad concerns common to all forms of social research. Criteria for evaluation and interpretation of various statistical techniques and research designs are covered.

PCMF 507 (MAIN: FALL)
ADVANCED STATISTICS
3 credits/Core Competency

This course provides students with statistical background that is useful in organizational research settings such as survey analysis and program evaluation. The topics include both parametric and non-parametric statistical methods, such as descriptive statistics, point and interval estimates, means comparisons, correlation, linear regression and multiple regression.