

Master of Counselling



Sunshine Coast, Semester 1 2022

Program structure

Required courses (16) 192 units

COU700 Expressive Therapies: Counselling with the Creative Arts
COU701 Advanced Counselling Skills 1: Interpersonal Processes
COU702 Professional Development 1: Clinical Practice
COU703 Internship 1
COU704 Internship 2
COU705 Professional Development 2: Grief, Loss and Trauma
COU706 Counselling Children and Young People
COU707 Counselling and Mental Health
COU708 Counselling and Addictions
COU709 Solution Focused Therapeutic Approaches
COU750 Ethics and Reflective Practice
COU751 Mindfulness-Based Interventions and Group Work
COU754 Research Project A
COU755 Research Project B
COU781 Pluralistic Couple and Family Counselling
SCS725 Advanced Social Research

Note: Program structures are subject to change. Not all USC courses are available on every USC campus.

Total units: 192

Study sequence

Year 1

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
COU701 Advanced Counselling Skills 1: Interpersonal Processes	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR708
COU707 Counselling and Mental Health	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR708
COU750 Ethics and Reflective Practice	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR708
COU751 Mindfulness-Based Interventions and Group Work	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR708

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Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
COU700 Expressive Therapies: Counselling with the Creative Arts	• Semester 2	12	Pre: COU701 and enrolled in Program AR708
COU709 Solution Focused Therapeutic Approaches	• Semester 2	12	Pre: COU701 and COU750 and enrolled in Program AR708
COU781 Pluralistic Couple and Family Counselling	• Semester 2	12	Pre: COU701 and enrolled in Program AR708
SCS725 Advanced Social Research	• Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in a Postgraduate Program

Year 2

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
COU702 Professional Development 1: Clinical Practice	• Semester 1	12	Pre: COU701 and COU750 and COU781 and enrolled in Program AR708
COU703 Internship 1	• Semester 1	12	Pre: COU701 and COU709 and COU750 and COU781 and enrolled in Program AR708 Co: COU702
COU706 Counselling Children and Young People	• Semester 1	12	Pre: COU701 and COU781 and enrolled in AR708
COU754 Research Project A	• Semester 1	12	Pre: CMN574, SCS725 or other approved Research Methods course and enrolled in Program AR708

Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
COU704 Internship 2	• Semester 2	12	Pre: COU702 and COU703 Co: COU705

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COU705 Professional Development 2: Grief, Loss and Trauma	• Semester 2	12	Pre: COU702 and enrolled in Program AR708
COU708 Counselling and Addictions	• Semester 2	12	Pre: COU750 and COU701 and enrolled in AR708
COU755 Research Project B	• Semester 2	12	Pre: COU754 and enrolled in Program AR708

Program requirements and notes

- Successfully complete 192 units as outlined in the Program Structure

Requirements for field education

To complete this program you must complete 50 hours of supervision relating to a minimum of 200 hours of client contact for which you are required to obtain a Blue Card (issued by the Public Safety Business Agency).

In the event that you become ineligible for a Blue Card, at any time between the date of first enrolment and the date of completion of the program, you will not be able to complete the program.

Please note, while all endeavours will be made to place students in a given semester, this is not guaranteed and students may need to enrol at a later time should a position in an agency be unavailable in the preferred semester.

Field education includes professional or clinical placements. Students may be required to undertake these placements away from the campus at their own expense.

Program notes

- Prior to entry into the program applicants will be required to submit their current Suitability Card (Blue Card)
- Completing this program within the specified (full-time) duration is based on studying 48 unit points per semester (normally 4 courses) and following the recommended study sequence
- The unit value of all courses is 12 units unless otherwise specified
- It is each student's responsibility to enrol correctly according to your course requisites, program rules and requirements and be aware of the academic calendar dates
- Courses within this program are assessed using a variety of assessment methods which may include essays, seminar presentations, reports, in-class tests and examinations
- Only a full-time study option is available to international students on a Student Visa
- Refer to the Managing your progression page for help in understanding your program structure, reviewing your progress and planning remaining courses.