PSYCHOLOGY: APPLICATIONS IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY GRADUATE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

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Program Code: CLACPY
Campus(es): Harrisburg

The graduate certificate in Psychology: Applications in Clinical Psychology is treatment oriented and intended to prepare mental health counselors to work in community mental health settings. The four courses provide exposure to major subfields of applied clinical psychology, to enhance training received in a traditional master’s degree program. This program helps enhance mental health professionals’ skills in providing services for individuals and families coping with psychological issues such as relationship difficulties, depression, decision making, trauma, anxiety, child custody, or adjustment.

Effective Semester: Spring Semester 2006
Expiration Semester: Spring Semester 2021

Admission Requirements
Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (http://gradschool.psu.edu/prospective-students/how-to-apply). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions (http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies). International applicants may be required to satisfy an English proficiency requirement; see GCAC-305 Admission Requirements for International Students (http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300/gcac-305-admission-requirements-international-students) for more information.

Students must have obtained a master’s degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education in clinical or counseling psychology, or be concurrently enrolled as a degree student in Penn State Harrisburg’s Applied Clinical Psychology master’s program. For students currently enrolled in the master’s program in Applied Clinical Psychology at Penn State Harrisburg, the certificate will be awarded upon completion of the 12 credits required for the certificate. The certificate cannot be awarded prior to completion of the master’s degree. Course work counting for a graduate or undergraduate degree may not also be used to fulfill the requirements for the certificate.

Certificate Requirements
Requirements listed here are in addition to requirements listed in Graduate Council policy GCAC-212 Postbaccalaureate Credit Certificate Programs (http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-200/gcac-212-postbaccalaureate-credit-certificate-programs).

If one of the required subdisciplines of applied clinical psychology was included in a student’s master’s program, the program will permit the student to select a substitute course that would provide the student with exposure to an area to which the student was not exposed in her or his master’s program. Students, with program permission may substitute a 500-level psychology course for a required course she or he had previously taken in a master’s program.

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Courses
Graduate courses carry numbers from 500 to 699 and 800 to 899. Advanced undergraduate courses numbered between 400 and 499 may be used to meet some graduate degree requirements when taken by graduate students. Courses below the 400 level may not. A graduate student may register for or audit these courses in order to make up deficiencies or to fill in gaps in previous education but not to meet requirements for an advanced degree.

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