Full-Time Schedule

Fall Semester, First Year (12 credit hours)

PSY 09595 Introduction to Counseling: Development of Basic Skills

PSY 01623 Psychopathology I: Diagnosis and Epidemiology

PSY 06625 Assessment I: Psychometrics, Evaluation, & Treatment Planning

PSY 01564 Counseling Theory and Techniques I

Spring Semester, First Year (12 credit hours)

PSY 01566 Counseling Theory and Techniques II

PSY 01624 Psychopathology II: Conceptualization and Etiology

PSY 01572 Research Methodology and Statistics in Counseling Psychology I: Basics

PSY 01620 Legal, Ethical & Professional Issues in Counseling

Summer Semester, First Year (4 credit hours)

PSY 01574 Research Methods and Statistics in Counseling Psychology II: Applied PSY 01615 Professional Pro-Seminar

Fall Semester, Second Year (13 credit hours)

PSY 01612 Group Counseling and Psychotherapy

PSY 06626 Assessment II: Career/Vocational Interests, Treatments, & Programs

PSY 01650 Practicum in Counseling

PSY 05652 Advanced Seminar in Clinical Practice (topic to be determined by faculty)

Spring Semester, Second Year (13 credit hours)

PSY 05610 Social and Cultural Diversity

PSY 10610 Psychopharmacology and Biological Bases of Behavior

PSY 01650 Practicum in Counseling

PSY 05652 Advanced Seminar in Clinical Practice (topic to be determined by faculty)

Summer Semester, Second Year (6 credit hours)

PSY 09560 Lifespan Development

PSY 01630 Family Systems and Family Therapy

Licensure Preparation

Most students in the CMHC Program apply for licensure as Licensed Associate Counselors (LAC), followed by licensure as Licensed Professional Counselors (LPC). The CMHC Program is not CACREP-accredited; however, the CMHC Curriculum has been approved by the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (Professional Counselors Committee) as meeting the educational requirements needed to sit for the National Counselor Examination (NCE), which is the testing requirement needed for licensure. Our 60-credit approved curriculum and practicum experience meet the preparation requirements to apply for the LAC. After obtaining the LAC, there are additional clinical hour requirements, obtained while working in the counseling field after graduation, to apply for full licensure as an LPC in New Jersey (see http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pc/Pages/default.aspx). Graduates have also applied for licensure in other states. We recommend visiting the state's licensure board websites to determine each state's requirements.

Practicum Requirement

All students matriculated into the CMHC Program must successfully complete 600 hours of practicum experience in a mental health setting. The practicum hours require approximately 20 hours per week in the Fall and Spring of the last year of the program. Students will still also be taking classes, while completing practicum. These 600 hours are eligible to be used toward the clinical experience requirement for full licensure (e.g. in NJ, 4,500 hours are required for the LPC. Students would use the 600 hours toward the 4,500 and then complete the remaining hours post-graduation and after obtaining the LAC).

Note: There may be additional program requirements including passing comprehensive exams for graduation. Feel free to contact the Program Coordinator (cmhc@rowan.edu) to inquire.