

Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling, Graduate Certificate

Goal: Students in the MCFC certificate program will be competent in the practice of counseling couples and families.

Goal Description:

Students will have two opportunities to demonstrate their knowledge of couple and family counseling. The first opportunity is foundational knowledge of theories. The second opportunity is the application of the theories to case studies.

Providing Department: Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling, Graduate Certificate

Progress: Ongoing

RELATED ITEMS/ELEMENTS -----

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 1

LO1: Students in the MCFC certificate will be knowledgeable in couple and family counseling theories.

Learning Objective Description:

Students will complete a 50 question multiple choice/true false exam consisting of theories in couple and family counseling. The individual results will be available to students, and aggregated results will be available to program.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 2

ICF 1: KPI: Final exam in 6332 regarding couple and family theories.

Indicator Description:

Students will demonstrate knowledge of LO 1 with submission of Final Exam in COUN 6332. This key assessment will be graded automatically, and results will be available to the individual student, with aggregated data available to the program for overall student progress.

Criterion Description:

Criterion 1: 90% of students will receive 80% or above on the final exam.

Findings Description:

There is no spring data due to this assessment not being finalized in time. In summer 2024, 25 students took the 6332 final exam. 24/25 students scored over 80%. That is 96% of the class.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 3

Action: Final exam in 6332 regarding couple and family theories.

Action Description:

The final exam was not completed in the Qualtrics platform that was tied to TK20. Therefore, no results are in TK20, but remain in Blackboard. If adjunct professors teach 6332, there needs to be more reminders of where students should complete the final exam.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 1

LO2: Students in the MCFC certificate will be able to apply couple and family theories and techniques to a pre-selected case study.

Learning Objective Description:

Students will be presented with a case study and will apply knowledge of theories learned to the case study.

Attached Files

 [KPI Exam 2 for COUN6333.docx](#)

 [KPI Exam 1 for COUN6333.docx](#)

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 2

ICF 2: KPI: An average of Case Study/Essay Exam 1 and 2 in COUN6333.

Indicator Description:

Students will demonstrate knowledge of LO 2 with submission of Midterm and Final Case Studies within COUN 6333. These key assessments will be graded by rubric, providing formative feedback to student and program.

Criterion Description:

Criterion 2: 90% of the students will receive 80% or above on the average of the two exams.

Findings Description:

Data were not available for case study 1. However, 8 of 8 students received competent and proficient ratings on case study 2, which is above the 80% criterion.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 3

An average of Case Study/Essay Exam 1 and 2 in COUN6333.

New Update to Previous Cycle's Plan for Continuous Improvement Item

Previous Cycle's Plan For Continuous Improvement (Do Not Modify):

This is a new unit for the 2023-2024 cycle, no previous PCI.

Update of Progress to the Previous Cycle's PCI:

This is a new unit for the 2023-2024 cycle, no previous PCI.

New Plan for Continuous Improvement Item

Closing Summary:

Due to the MCFC certificate being new this year, only partial data are available. Next cycle will include all data. Also, we are adding an assessment for COUN6338 (family therapy techniques). However, since this class didn't have enough students in the fall to make a class, there will be no data until the next cycle.