

Master of Pastoral Counselling Articulated Set

includes:

Master of Pastoral Counselling
Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling
Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling [*Exit Point Only*]

The Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling is designed to extend the academic qualifications of people working in pastoral and clinical counselling or ministry settings including clergy and laity. Pastoral care and counselling skills are exercised in a variety of institutional settings within the overall framework of the churches in Australia at the corporate and congregational levels of denominations, universities, military, corrective services, police, ambulance, trade and industry and like situations.

The Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling, an exit point in the Master of Arts (Pastoral Counselling), is designed to extend the academic qualifications of people working in pastoral and clinical counselling or ministry settings including clergy and laity. Pastoral care and counselling skills are exercised in a variety of institutional settings within the overall framework of the churches in Australia at the corporate and congregational levels of denominations, universities, military, corrective services, police, ambulance, trade and industry and like situations.

The course includes the following awards:

Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling *GradCertPastCounsell*

Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling *GradDipPastCounsell*

Master of Pastoral Counselling *MPastCounsell*

Master of Pastoral Counselling (Clinical) *MPastCounsell(Clinical)*

Course Study Modes and Locations

Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling (1604PC)

Distance Education - Canberra

Master of Pastoral Counselling (1715PC)

Distance Education - Canberra

Availability is subject to change, please verify prior to enrolment.

Normal course duration**Master of Pastoral Counselling**

Full-time 2.0 years (4.0 sessions)

Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling

Full-time 1.0 years (2.0 sessions)

Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling [Exit Point Only]

Full-time 0.5 years (1.0 sessions)

Normal course duration is the effective period of time taken to complete a course when studied Full-time (Full-time Equivalent: FTE). Students are advised to consult the Enrolment Pattern for the actual length of study. Not all courses are offered in Full-time mode.

Admission criteria

[CSU Admission Policy](#)

Master of Pastoral Counselling

Applicants should:

1. be able to demonstrate personal suitability to undertake professional practice as a pastoral counsellor, including self-awareness, relational capacity, personal ethical practice, being able to reflect on and learn from experience, and being open to positive and challenging feedback; and
2. hold an undergraduate degree in theology, psychology or equivalent - applicants with degrees in other disciplines are encouraged to apply; or
3. have successfully completed the Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling at CSU; or
4. hold a Graduate Diploma of Counselling from another institution; if so they may be required to complete the core subject theological component of the CSU Graduate Diploma of Theology before being granted admission to the Master of Pastoral Counselling.

Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling

1. Applicants should be able to demonstrate personal suitability to undertake professional practice as a pastoral counsellor, including self-awareness, relational capacity, personal ethical practice, being able to reflect on and learn from experience, and being open to positive and challenging feedback; and
2. Applicants should hold an undergraduate degree in theology, psychology or equivalent. Applicants with degrees in any other disciplines are encouraged to apply; or
3. Applicants without an undergraduate degree will be considered, with evidence that they are able to undertake tertiary studies in this area (such as a letter of motivation and two professional or academic references), as assessed by the Course Coordinator.

Credit

[CSU Credit Policy](#)

Master of Pastoral Counselling

Credit of up to 64 points will be granted for successful completion of the Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling offered by CSU, School of Theology.

Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling

Credit will be awarded for 400 level subjects completed in the Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling. Credit will not be awarded for 100-300 level subjects.

Articulation

The Master, Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate [*Exit Point Only*] make up an articulated set of courses and credit is given in each higher level course for the subjects completed in the lower.

Graduation requirements

Master of Pastoral Counselling

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 128 points.

Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 64 points.

Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling [Exit Point Only]

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 32 points.

Course Structure**Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling (32) [Exit Point Only]**

[THL400](#)Pastoral Counselling Skills +

[THL420](#)Pastoral Counselling: Theory and Professional Issues +

[THL428](#)Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

[THL435](#)Applied Pastoral Theology

+ [THL400](#)and [THL420](#)are prerequisites to [THL428](#).

Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling(64)

[THL400](#)Pastoral Counselling Skills +

[THL420](#)Pastoral Counselling: Theory and Professional Issues +

[THL428](#)Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

[THL430](#)Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention

[THL432](#)Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family

[THL433](#)Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma

[THL434](#)Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition

[THL435](#)Applied Pastoral Theology

+ [THL400](#)and [THL420](#)are prerequisites to [THL428](#), 430, 432 and 433.

Students may choose to exit with the award of Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling following the satisfactory completion of four subjects as outlined in the degree structure for the Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling (32).

Master of Pastoral Counselling(128)

[THL400](#)Pastoral Counselling Skills +

[THL420](#)Pastoral Counselling: Theory and Professional Issues +

[THL428](#)Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

[THL430](#)Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention

[THL432](#) Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family
[THL433](#) Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma
[THL434](#) Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition
[THL435](#) Applied Pastoral Theology
[THL520](#) Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16)
[THL530](#) Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies
[THL531](#) Pastoral Counselling Research Proposal
[THL625](#) Pastoral Counselling Dissertation (32)

+ [THL400](#) and [THL420](#) are prerequisites to [THL428](#), 430, 432 and 433.

Students may choose to exit with the award of Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling following the satisfactory completion of four subjects as outlined in the structure of the Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling (32).

Students may choose to exit with the award of Graduate Diploma in Pastoral Counselling following the satisfactory completion of eight subjects as outlined in the structure for the Graduate Diploma in Pastoral Counselling (64).

Master of Pastoral Counselling (Clinical)(128)

[THL400](#) Pastoral Counselling Skills +
[THL420](#) Pastoral Counselling: Theory and Professional Issues +
[THL428](#) Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss
[THL430](#) Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention
[THL432](#) Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family
[THL433](#) Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma
[THL434](#) Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition
[THL435](#) Applied Pastoral Theology
[THL520](#) Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16)
[THL521](#) Theological Ethics for the Helping Professions
[THL523](#) Pastoral Counselling Professional Practice (16)
[THL524](#) Reflective Practitioner Perspectives in Pastoral Counselling (16)
[THL530](#) Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies

+ [THL400](#) and [THL420](#) are prerequisites to [THL428](#), 430, 432 and 433.

Students may choose to exit with the award of Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling following the satisfactory completion of four subjects as outlined in the structure of the Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling (32).

Students may choose to exit with the award of Graduate Diploma in Pastoral Counselling following the satisfactory completion of eight subjects as outlined in the structure for the Graduate Diploma in Pastoral Counselling (64).

Enrolment Pattern

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL COUNSELLING (32) [Exit Point Only]

Part-time

Session 1

[THL400](#)Pastoral Counselling Skills

[THL420](#)Pastoral Counselling: Theory & Professional Issues

Session 2

[THL428](#)Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

[THL435](#)Applied Pastoral Theology

GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF PASTORAL COUNSELLING

Part-time

Session 1

[THL400](#)Pastoral Counselling Skills

[THL420](#)Pastoral Counselling: Theory & Professional Issues

Session 2

[THL428](#)Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

[THL435](#)Applied Pastoral Theology

Students may choose to exit with the award Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling after the completion of 4 subjects (32cps)

Session 3

[THL430](#)Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention

[THL433](#)Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma

Session 4

[THL432](#)Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family

[THL434](#)Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition

MASTER OF PASTORAL COUNSELLING

Part-time

Session 1

[THL400](#)Pastoral Counselling Skills

[THL420](#)Pastoral Counselling: Theory & Professional Issues

Session 2

[THL428](#)Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

[THL435](#)Applied Pastoral Theology

Students may choose to exit with the award Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling after the completion of 4 subjects (32cps)

Session 3

[THL430](#)Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention

[THL433](#)Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma

Session 4

[THL432](#)Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family

[THL434](#)Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition

Students may choose to exit with the award Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling after the completion of 8 subjects (64)

Session 5

[THL520](#)Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16) (Commenced)

[THL530](#)Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies

Session 6

[THL520](#)Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16) (Completed)

[THL531](#)Pastoral Counselling Research Proposal

Session 7

[THL625](#)Pastoral Counselling Dissertation (32) (Commenced)

Session 8

[THL625](#)Pastoral Counselling Dissertation (32) (Completed)

MASTER OF PASTORAL COUNSELLING (CLINICAL) (128)**Part-time****Session 1**

[THL400](#)Pastoral Counselling Skills

[THL420](#)Pastoral Counselling: Theory & Professional Issues

Session 2

[THL428](#)Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

[THL435](#)Applied Pastoral Theology

Students may choose to exit with the award Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling after the completion of 4 subjects (32cps)

Session 3

[THL430](#)Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention

[THL433](#)Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma

Session 4

[THL432](#)Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family

[THL434](#)Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition

Students may choose to exit with the award Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling after the completion of 8 subjects (64)

Session 5

[THL520](#)Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16) (Commenced)

[THL521](#)Theological Ethics for the Helping Professions

Session 6

[THL520](#)Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16) (Completed)

[THL530](#)Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies

Session 7

[THL523](#)Pastoral Counselling Professional Practice (16) (Commenced)

[THL524](#)Reflective Practitioner Perspectives in Pastoral Counselling (16) (Commenced)

Session 8

[THL523](#)Pastoral Counselling Professional Practice (16) (Completed)

[THL524](#)Reflective Practitioner Perspectives in Pastoral Counselling (16) (Completed)

Residential School

Please note that the following subjects may have a residential school component.

THL400 Pastoral Counselling Skills

THL420 Pastoral Counselling: Theory and Professional Issues

THL428 Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss

THL430 Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention

THL432 Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family

THL433 Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma

THL434 Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition

THL435 Applied Pastoral Theology

THL520 Advanced Pastoral Counselling

THL521 Theological Ethics for the Helping Professions

THL523 Pastoral Counselling Professional Practice

THL531 Pastoral Counselling: Research Proposal

Enrolled students can find further information about CSU residential schools via the [About Residential School](#) page.

Accreditation

The School of Theology intends to apply for accreditation for the Master of Pastoral Counselling (Clinical) through the *Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia*(PACFA).

The course has been written to meet the PACFA training standards for 2013. Upon approval of registration by PACFA graduates of the Master of Pastoral Counselling in the Clinical stream will be eligible, on completion of further counselling hours, for admission as clinical members of the professional associations which are member associations of PACFA, and for registration with PACFA.

Contact

For further information about Charles Sturt University, or this course offering, please contact info.csu on 1800 334 733 (free call within Australia) or email inquiry@csu.edu.au

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