

Why a Master's in Clinical Mental Health Counseling

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We are very excited about the upcoming clinical mental health counseling degree masters that we're going to be starting a year from this fall. The psychology faculty here at Thomas has been advocating for this for quite some time and we've finally gotten the go-ahead on it so we're very excited.

It's going to be a 60-semester hour program. It will be available mostly online so that people that are working in the field already can take the program. You can finish it in two years, but if you only go part-time, which we will allow, people can take up to three to four years to finish it. They have to do two clinical placements: one practicum, which is a little bit shorter, and then later an internship where they will actually be doing counseling face to face with people.

The program is going to be accredited by CACREP, which stands for the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs, and we're just very excited about welcoming our first cohort into the program next fall, the fall of 2026.

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