Why The Citadel is Right for You
The Citadel is ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* (2016) as the No. 1 Public University in the South offering up to a master’s degree. Within The Citadel Graduate College, 95% of the faculty have Ph.D.s or the highest degree offered in their particular discipline which assures students obtain the knowledge, skills and ideas needed to gain a competitive advantage in their career.

Conveniently located on the banks of the Ashley River with easy access to I-26, I-526, and Highway 17, The Citadel Graduate College provides opportunities for higher education and professional development through our nationally accredited bachelor’s, master’s and specialist degrees.

The Citadel is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council on Postsecondary Education. The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accredits The Citadel to award bachelor’s, master’s, and specialist degrees.

The Master of Arts in Psychology: Clinical Counseling curriculum has been developed according to guidelines set forth by the Council of Applied Masters Programs in Psychology (CAMPP) and the program is accredited by the Master’s in Psychology Accreditation Council (MPAC). Coursework is consistent with requirements for licensure as a Professional Counselor in the state of South Carolina.

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Program Requirements

The MA in Psychology: Clinical Counseling is awarded after successful completion of 57 semester hours. The program is divided into three distinct course blocks, each building upon the one before.

The first block focuses on training students as scholars and consists of core counseling and psychology courses. These courses are designed to enhance student understanding of individual differences, theories of development and behavior change, and professional roles and functions from a scholarly perspective.

The second block of courses prepare students to be practitioners and specifically address interventions designed to facilitate behavioral, cognitive and affective functioning. The courses in this advanced clinical block are applied, and blend didactic and experiential components to facilitate the development of therapeutic skills.

The final block of courses consists of two field experiences. The practicum and internship courses reflect the culmination of the program and provide students with structured, supervised experiences with actual clients in community agencies. It is during these experiences that students are able to integrate and apply their coursework to actual clinical problems by conducting psychosocial and/or diagnostic assessments and implementing intervention strategies.

Application Deadline

Admission to the Psychology: Clinical Counseling program is based on a competitive review of all application materials. All application requirements must be met and materials submitted by March 15 to be considered for fall admission.

Please refer to The Citadel Graduate College catalog and the program descriptions in the Clinical Counseling Program Handbook available online for additional questions and a complete list of admission and program requirements.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Master of Arts in Psychology: Clinical Counseling program is to prepare students to become scholarly practitioners of psychosocial counseling in community agencies, including college counseling centers, hospitals, mental health centers, and social services agencies. The program emphasizes the application of theories of human development, psychopathology, and behavior change to psychosocial problems of diverse populations.

It is the expectation of the program that students will be trained as competent and ethical professional service providers who will bring a scholarly perspective as well as compassion and caring to their work.

The program is accredited by the Master in Psychology Accreditation Council (MPAC).

“The faculty are outstanding, and the skills and knowledge I’ve gained in the classroom have prepared me well for my field experiences.”

Evan Sola, Class of 2010