MACP Practicum Requirements

Practicum Total Hours 400 Hours

Minimum

Completed over two (2) full 15-week trimesters (minimum of 13.5 hrs/weekly)

200 Direct Client Contact Hours (DCC)

Student must complete 60 DCC by last day of PSYC 7113 (Trimester one)

Direct Client Contact Hours: Modalities

Individual Counselling: 120 hours (minimum) of DCC will be mental health counselling hours in the form of individual counselling.

For the **balance of 80 hours**, the following modalities are allowed:

Family or Couples Counselling: May be included at the discretion of the supervisor, depending in site's service offerings and experience of student.

<u>Group Counselling</u>: Recommended, but not required by some professional associations.

* MACP student is <u>not allowed</u> to facilitate any counselling groups **on their own**

*MACP student should have opportunity to be lead facilitator for at least 1/2 of any and all group counselling hours.

*Mental health group counselling is based on theory, techniques, research, and treatment approaches that support effective therapeutic outcomes.

Direct Observation

MACP-approved supervisor must observe student a minimum of three (3), 50-minute client sessions, with at least one (1) observed session in each trimester of Practicum.

If the observation was not "live", then a recorded client session must be presented to the supervisor, and supervisor's observation can be entered as Direct Observation.

SONIA Log: Student will log the entry as Direct Observation. Time spent reviewing the recording with supervisor will be logged as Supervision.

Direct Client Contact Hours: Venues and/or Platforms

Direct Client Contact (DCC) counselling may be conducted through the following <u>venues and/or platforms</u>, with appropriate considerations taken by the counsellor to protect privacy and confidentiality:

* Face-to-face, in person.

* Face-to-face, using telephone, Zoom, Teams, or other encrypted video platforms.

Direct Client Contact Hours: Activities

* Interviewing for intake that is clinical in nature and the intake is used to determine the client's focus and course of the therapy.

* Conducting the administration, scoring and interpretation of the results of a psychometric assessment <u>as part of a</u> <u>clinical interaction with the clien</u>t.

* Facilitating or actively cofacilitating/co-counseling (at least 50% of the session and not simply observing) therapeutic counselling sessions.

* Engaging in case conferences with the client present.
* Conducting 50% of the student's

counselling sessions (e.g., individual, family or couples, and group counselling) with clients in English.

200 Indirect Contact Hours

Indirect Contact Hours: Activities

*Observing counselling without actively participating and not providing follow-up to the client immediately after the observed session.

* Engaging in record-keeping.

*Conducting preparation activities in relation to direct client work.

- * Writing counselling session progress notes.
- * Writing and updating client treatment plans.

* Writing client discharge summaries.

*Conducting a psychometric assessment that primarily involves administering, scoring, and report-writing, with <u>little to no clinical interaction with the clien</u>t.

* Engaging in individual clinical supervision as a Supervisee

 $\ensuremath{^*}$ Observing or co-facilitating psychoeducational groups

targeted more to universal vs designated client populations * Participating in case conferences or staff meetings,

without client present. * Engaging in consultation with professionals at the

practicum site.

* Attending and completing in-service trainings, if offered by the practicum site.

**Academic course work may <u>no</u>t be counted as Indirect Contact Hours.

Clinical Supervision

(Minimum of 30 hours)

*Individual and/or dyadic supervision meetings with MACP-approved supervisor, mandatory.

---Individual supervision is defined as the supervisor and only practicum student.

---Dyadic supervision is defined as the supervisor and only two practicum students.

* Minimum of one hour each

week, mandatory.

**Group Supervision will not count towards the Individual Supervision requirement.