

# PSYCHOLOGY, BA TO CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY (COUNSELING PRACTICE), MA ACCELERATED PROGRAM

The Accelerated Program in Clinical Psychology (Counseling Practice) allows highly qualified Roosevelt University undergraduate students who are pursuing a BA degree in Psychology to get a head start on coursework for their master's degree studies. Students who are admitted to the Accelerated Program can apply nine credit hours of cross-listed coursework to *both* the undergraduate major and to the master's degree during their senior year. Students in the Accelerated Program can also take advantage of a shorter, streamlined admission process into the MA Clinical Psychology (Counseling Practice) program.

This program is designed for those who are interested in clinical practice at the master's level. In Illinois (and in many other states), completion of this program qualifies graduates to apply for licensure as a professional counselor (LPC and, later, LCPC). This is a 60 credit hour program that provides broad-based training in psychological assessment and intervention as well as in the theory and research that support these practices. The Clinical Psychology (Counseling Practice) curriculum satisfies the educational requirements for the professional counselor and clinical professional counselor licenses in Illinois, Roosevelt's home state, and in many other states. Students are urged to check with the Board that oversees these licenses in the state in which they intend to practice to ensure this curriculum satisfies the state's requirements.

For more information about the Clinical Psychology (Counseling Practice) MA, please refer to the full catalog description (<https://catalog.roosevelt.edu/graduate/humanities-education-social-sciences/clinical-psychology-counseling-practice-ma/>) of this program.

## Admission

Roosevelt University undergraduates pursuing a BA in Psychology will apply to the accelerated program during their junior year. Applicants need to have a minimum Psychology GPA of 3.5, and a minimum overall GPA of 3.5. Upon full completion of the Psychology BA, students in the accelerated program will be able to take advantage of a simpler graduate admission process.

The Accelerated BA/MA Program in Clinical Psychology (Counseling Practice) facilitates students' transition into graduate school and allows undergraduates to enroll in specialized coursework at an earlier point in their education. It also allows for a reduced course load during the first year of graduate study.

Students admitted to the Clinical Psychology (Counseling Practice), BA to MA Accelerated Program will take the following three courses during their senior year:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 505	FOUNDATIONS OF COUNSELING	3
PSYC 516	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY	3
PSYC 519	BASIC CLINICAL SKILLS	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>9</b>

The remainder of the requirements is the same as those in the Clinical Psychology (Counseling Practice), MA program (<http://catalog.roosevelt.edu/graduate/humanities-education-social-sciences/clinical-psychology-counseling-practice-ma/#requirementstext>).

Your degree map is a general guide suggesting courses to complete each term on the academic pathway to your degree. It is based on the most current scheduling information from your academic program. Your program's degree map is reviewed annually and updated as schedules change (although you retain the same course requirements as long as you are continuously enrolled in your degree program).

Always work closely with your academic advisor to understand curriculum requirements and scheduling, as each student's academic plan can look slightly different. No more than two grades of C (not C-) may be applied toward the 60 hours used for the degree. A graduate course can only be repeated once; no more than two courses can be repeated.

Please note that the map below represents the following:

- Year 1: Graduate courses taken in the final year of the undergraduate program
- Year 2: First year of MA program
- Year 3: Second year of MA program
- Year 4: Third Year of MA program

## Year 1

Fall	Credit Hours Spring	Credit Hours
PSYC 505	3 PSYC 519	3
PSYC 516	3	
<b>6</b>		<b>3</b>

## Year 2

Fall	Credit Hours Spring	Credit Hours
PSYC 530	3 PSYC 570	3
CHS 417	3 PSYC 580	3
PSYC 515	3 PSYC 605	3
<b>9</b>		<b>9</b>

## Year 3

Fall	Credit Hours Spring	Credit Hours
PSYC 606	3 PSYC 640	3
PSYC 619	3 PSYC 641 or 642	3
PSYC 623	3 PSYC 645	3
PSYC 649		3
<b>9</b>		<b>12</b>

## Year 4

Fall	Credit Hours Spring	Credit Hours
PSYC 656	3 PSYC 4XX or Higher	3
PSYC 697A	3 PSYC 697B	3
<b>6</b>		<b>6</b>

**Total Credit Hours 60**