



Internal Articulation Agreement

- I. Articulation Agreement between**
 - a. BA in Psychology and MA Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

- II. Statement of Purpose**
 - a. This agreement has been entered into by BA in Psychology and MA Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MA CMHC). The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate credit articulation and provide a smooth transition from one related degree program to another. The agreement allows BA students who have completed at least 90 credit hours of coursework to take any combination of MA CMHC core courses outlined in Appendix A in lieu of BA elective courses, thus reducing time to master's degree completion. It is further recognized that the attached appendix shall describe the approved courses and the admissions eligibility. This agreement identifies all required and equivalent courses.

- III. Terms and Conditions of Credit Transfer and/or Degree:**
 - a. The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits and/or degree credits shall be in full compliance with institutional policies and all other state and Federal education policies pertaining to credit transfer. Program specific requirements and/or required courses/degree are listed and defined in Appendix A of this agreement. Students will be subject to the required admissions requirements of the MA CMHC program.
 - b. Students must apply to the MA CMHC program under the terms of this agreement and be accepted for this agreement to apply.

- IV. Length of the Agreement**
 - a. This agreement shall be valid until (December 31, 2021). Thereafter, the Agreement will be reevaluated for renewal.
 - b. Either party may terminate this agreement but will need to work with institutional timelines for change (catalog publication).

- V. Details of Publication of Agreement**
 - a. This information will need to reside in the Academic Catalog. Publication is required to include the process for articulation to another degree program, the specific courses, and the admission eligibility requirements.
 - b. Program Modifications affecting either program involved in this agreement may require re-evaluation and/or amendment of Appendix A subsequent to implementation.

- VI. Required Signatures**
 - a. Curriculum Academic Dean(s)
 - b. Curriculum Chair(s)
 - c. Chief Academic Officer

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VII. **Appendix A:** “Program Articulation Table” should contain all academic details of courses and/or degree that are qualified for credit transfer.

Appendix A: Program Articulation Table

Course No.	MA Clinical Mental Health Counseling Course Name	Credit Hours	Course No.	BA Psychology Course Name	Credit Hours
CM500	Introduction to the Counseling Profession and Ethics	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
CM507	Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
CM521	Lifespan Development	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
CM550	Diversity & Multiculturalism	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
CM598	Psychopathology	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
CM655	Counseling: A Global Perspective	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
	<i>Total Required</i>	<i>18</i>		<i>Total Required</i>	<i>18</i>

Screening Considerations

Prospective students will...

- *Be interviewed by a member of the CMHC-Online Faculty Admissions Committee*
- *Complete a two-page essay discussing program’s mission and goals as a future clinical mental health counselor*
- *Have at least a 3.0 GPA*
- *Have relevant career goals in counseling, potential for success in forming effective counseling relationships, and respect for cultural differences*
- *Submit three letters of recommendation*

Student Eligibility Early Admission into the MA CMHC Program:

- Student must have completed at least 90 credit hours in the BA Psychology program to qualify for admission to the MA CMHC program under this agreement.
- Student must have a GPA must be 3.0 or higher.
- Admission to the MA CMHC program under this agreement requires an admission interview with department chair to include demonstrating a clear orientation their motivation for earning the MA CMHC degree.
- Student must complete a two-page essay discussing program’s mission and goals as a future clinical mental health counselor.
- Student must submit 3 letters of Recommendation.



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- Student must be making satisfactory progress in the BA Capstone Project.
- Student must meet professional comportment guidelines set forth in the Student Handbook and have no pending referrals to the Student Affairs Committee.
- Student must meet all other admission requirements in the TCSPP Student Handbook and Catalog for this program.

Enrollment in Master's Level Courses

- Student must be accepted into the Master's degree under the terms of this agreement before enrolling in master's level courses.
- Conferral of the BA Psychology degree will require a total of 120 credit hours. Up to 18 credit hours may be applied from the MA CMHC program per Appendix A. Student must apply for degree conferral once the graduation requirements are met. The standard degree conferral fee will apply.
- Master's Degree courses taken while a student in the BA program will count toward the graduation requirements of both programs (BA and MA).

Tuition

- Students will pay the BA Psychology tuition rate for MA CMHC courses while enrolled in the BA Psychology program.