

# MS in Counseling Psychology with Specialization in Children and Adolescents

Learn more about the Master of Science in Counseling Psychology with Specialization in Children and Adolescents program. (<https://www.apu.edu/bas/programs/masters-in-counseling-psychology/>)

## Requirements

Code	Title	Units
PSYC 532	Theories of Counseling and Therapy	3
PSYC 558	Advanced Developmental Psychology	3
PSYC 555	Career Development	3
PSYC 529	Group Counseling	3
PSYC 525	Principles and Practice of Assessment and Evaluation	3
PSYC 526	Multicultural Counseling	3
PSYC 527	Diagnosis and Treatment Planning	3
PSYC 551	Research Methods in Counseling	3
PSYC 531	Ethics and Professional Issues	3
PSYC 585	Psychopharmacology and Psychobiology	3
PSYC 528	Treatment of Substance Use Disorders in Youth and Families	3
PSYC 523	Interventions for Trauma and Crisis	3
PSYC 530	Evidence-Based Practices in the Treatment of Children and Youth	3
PSYC 535	Therapies for Attachment and Internalizing Disorders	3
PSYC 533	Externalizing and Dysregulation Disorders	3
PSYC 536	Play Therapy: History, Theories, and Interventions	3
PSYC 534	Family Systems Theory and Counseling	3
PSYC 524	Counseling Adolescents	3
PSYC 542	Practicum I	3
PSYC 543	Practicum II	3
<b>Optional Elective</b>		
PSYC 537	Family Therapy II: Advanced Training	
PSYC 544	Practicum Extension	
<b>Optional Play Therapy Certificate</b>		
PSYC 538	Jungian Therapy and Sandplay	
PSYC 539	Play and Play Therapy Across the Lifespan	
PSYC 540	Gestalt Play Therapy and Interventions	
PSYC 541	Play Therapy with Special Populations	
PSYC 545	Play Therapy with Bereaved Children and Families	

**Total Units**

**60**

## Admission

University graduate admission and program-specific requirements must be met before an application is complete (see Admission to the University (<http://catalog.apu.edu/admissions/>)). **Program-specific application requirements are available online (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>).**

International students should contact Graduate and Professional Admissions (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>) for application procedures.

## **Program Learning Outcomes**

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Students who successfully complete this program shall be able to:

1. Demonstrate entry-level competence in the core domains of practice identified by the Board of Behavioral Sciences for licensure as an LPCC.
2. Demonstrate core competence in child/youth development, assessment, diagnosis, treatment, psychoeducation, and prevention interventions.
3. Analyze and synthesize disciplinary research and professional literature.
4. Demonstrate professional-level skills in written and oral communication.
5. Demonstrate skills in the integration of Christian faith with professional conceptualization and service delivery in counseling.