Pastoral Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program Learning Outcomes

At the completion of the programs in Pastoral Clinical Mental Health Counseling, students will have accomplished the following learning objectives under each of the following categories of proficiency:

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**PI** Professional Identity and Growth

PCC 799: Year 2

**PI.1** Demonstrate a comprehensive overview of the evolution, structure and expansion of the field of professional counseling, both mental health based and pastoral, and the responsibilities for practice and accountability.

PCC 500: Comprehension 1 3

**PI.2** Evidence a professional competency in recognizing key ethical principles, their application to core therapeutic issues and an ability to apply a hermeneutical decision making process in their judgment.

PCC 730: Conscience 10 2

**PI.3** Apply a theological reflection process to the development of and all processes within personal integration and therapeutic relationships.

PCC 770: Contemplation 4 2

**PI.4** Exhibit skills and service in areas of human engagement that entail advocacy, outreach and consultation.

PCC 500: Compassion 12 3

**PI.5** Recognize critical points of development and maturation and the processes involved in these, both within themselves toward personal transformation and in their clients to support and foster such growth.

PCC 550: Compassion 3 5.2

**PI.6** Develop an openness to feedback in the course of learning and practice that allows for self-examination, theologically-based reflection and articulation of pastoral/spiritual characters.

PCC 550: Contemplation 2 2

**TS** Theoretical and Skill Areas

PCC 799: Year 1

**TS.1** Be able to differentiate characteristics and skills in working with diverse populations in this post-modern age and support ongoing efforts to promote cultural awareness and reduce factors that degrade human worth and freedom.

PCC 786: Communication 2 1, 3

**TS.2** Evidence knowledge of both state and stage theories of progress through the lifespan with particular attention to supporting theories, with attention paid to recent neurobiological research.

PCC 720: Comprehension 1 3

**TS.3** Recognize the etiology, symptomology, progression of pathologies, consider effective treatment modalities and report on persons dealing with these competently and comprehensively.

PCC 700: Comprehension 3 3, 1

**TS.4** Apply knowledge of current assessment protocols and theories of career development for both selves and others seeking life directions.

PCC 781: Comprehension 3 3, 1

**TS.5** Identify for themselves an orientation to a major counseling theory that can allow them to create a framework for therapeutic assessments, interaction, and outcomes that combine clinical skill and compassionate presence.

PCC 510: Compassion 4 3

**TS.6** Apply and interpret necessary methods and analyses in terms of research writing, needs assessment, statistical results and program evaluations.

PCC 780, PCC782: Communication 8, 9, 13 1

**TS.7** Employ strategies and interventions for both small and large group dynamics that will allow clear communication within and among members and engage persons in healing practices.

PCC 760: Compassion 5 3, 2

**CC** Clinical Counseling Skills

PCC 740, 750, 770, 771

Through four semesters of supervised onsite work with clients students will compose a practice strategy and process that is clinically competent and pastorally focused. They will

PCC 771
**Clinical Matrix on Skill Development**

| CC.1 | Formulate working diagnosis and treatment goals | PCC 700 | Comprehension | 1 | 3 |
| CC.2 | Integrate the higher skills of therapeutic intervention within clear multicultural and ethical guidelines for practice | PCC 770 | Comprehension | 2,10 | 3 |
| CC.3 | Integrate spirituality and psychology in the assessment of various cases and therapeutic interactions | PCC 770 | Conscience | 3 | 2 |
| CC.4 | Demonstrate knowledge and use of theoretical approaches consistent with client issues | PCC 740 | Conscience | 4 | 3 |
| CC.5 | Attend to clients in empathic and non-judgmental way | PCC 740, PCC 750 | Compassion | 4 | 3 |
| CC.6 | Reflect theologically in counseling relationships that facilitate understanding their roles as pastoral counselor | PCC 740, PCC 750 | Contemplation | 12 | 2 |

**Final Clinical Report** evaluated by Matrix Skills. In course PCC 771, all students should have a mean score rating of at least 3.0 in each of 6 category areas.

**IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction:** at or above national standards for IDEA database.

**Satisfaction scores** at or above national norms for comparable institutions.