



## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants should have a Bachelor Degree in Psychology, the Behavioural Sciences or a related field. Students who do not have a Bachelors Degree in Psychology should have completed undergraduate courses in Psychology, Research Methods and Statistics.

## PROGRAMME COST

**Tuition Fee:** Bds \$20,000 (US \$10,000)

Payable in full or per course on registration.

### Annual University Registration Fees

University Registration Fees are NOT included in the cost of the tuition fee.

These fees are as follows:

Amenities Fees	– Bds \$770.00	(US \$385.00)
Guild Fees	– Bds \$120.00	(US \$60.00)
ID Card (First year only)	– Bds \$25.00	(US \$12.50)

Students enrolled in this self-financed programme are billed for the courses for which they register each semester. Fees are payable immediately on registration. University fees are additional to the programme fees and are billed on registration every semester until the degree has been awarded.

*Programme Costs and University Registration Fees are subject to change in 2013/2014.*



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**Masters Programme**  
**Faculty of Social Sciences**



**MSc. Counselling Psychology**

**2012-2013**



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## PROGRAMME SUMMARY

The MSc. Counselling Psychology programme was developed to meet the growing need for qualified counsellors in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean. The programme targets recent university graduates and practitioners who require counselling skills to fulfill their job tasks and provide counselling services to persons in organisations and society. Graduates of the programme will be prepared to pursue successful careers in the field of psychology and teaching at various levels in organisations. The programme is also designed to ensure that students have a competitive advantage for advanced study in psychology. Graduates of the programme will develop counselling, psychological assessment and research skills that will enable them to assist individuals, couples and groups who are facing various mental health issues.

## PROGRAMME REGULATIONS

The programme will be delivered on a full-time or part-time basis using a blended format: online and face-to-face. All courses include an online component, which is delivered through Moodle in e-learning. The online component occurs throughout the semester. The face-to-face (residency) component requires students to be present in class from 9:00 am- 5:00 pm on Fridays and Saturdays for 3 face-to-face weekends per course. Full-time students will complete the programme in four (4) semesters and one (1) summer. Part-time students will complete the programme in six (6) semesters and two (2) summers. The taught component of the programme includes ten (10) courses for the research option and 12 courses for the practice option. Both options include a practicum (0 credits) and an integrative internship and seminar (12 credits). The research option includes a research paper (6 credits).

## PROGRAMME CONTENT

A total of forty-eight (48) credits are required to complete either programme.

### MSC COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAMME – RESEARCH OPTION

This option is for students who are considering going for a doctorate degree in psychology. It requires the completion of a 20,000-word research paper on an issue relevant to the field of psychology. The research paper will ensure that students are involved in conducting empirically sound scholarly research. This also enables students to develop research skills that can be used to address organisational and societal problems related to the therapy needs of individuals. In addition, student research will contribute body of knowledge of psychology and research on psychological issues in the Caribbean. Students who select this option are also adequately prepared for professional practice.

Semester I – Year I (*4 courses 12 credit hours*)

COSY 6000 Foundations/Principles of Counselling Psychology (3cr)

COSY 6020 Ethical and Legal Issues in Counselling Psychology (3cr)

PSYC 6220 Psychometrics I: Intellectual and Cognitive Abilities (3cr)

PSYC 6110 Applied Research Design and Statistics (3cr)

Semester II – Year I (*4 courses 12 credit hours*)

COSY 6030 Group Counselling Theories and Techniques (3cr)

APSY 6020 Advanced Psychopathology (3cr)

COSY 6010 Counseling Skills and Techniques (3cr)

PSYC 6120 Psychometrics II: Personality Testing (3cr)

Summer Year I (*2 courses 3 credit hours*)

COSY 6012 Family Counselling/Therapy (3cr)

COSY XXXX Practicum Lab (0cr)

Semester I – Year II (*3 courses 9 credit hours*)

COSY 6090 Integrative Internship & Seminar I (6cr)

PSYC 6100 Advanced Developmental Psychology – (100% online) (3cr)

COSY 6999 Research Paper (0cr)

Semester II – Year II (*2 courses 12 credit hours*)

COSY 6090 Integrative Internship & Seminar -2 (6cr)

COSY 6999 Research Paper (Cont’d)- (6cr)

### MSC COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAMME – PRACTICE OPTION

This option is for students who are considering being practitioners. Students are required to complete two additional courses instead of completing the research paper. The courses will ensure that students are more prepared to engage in clinical/counselling practice. Students who select this option are also adequately prepared for doctoral level training.

Semester I – Year I (*4 courses 12 credit hours*)

COSY 6000 Foundations/Principles of Counselling Psychology (3cr)

COSY 6020 Ethical and Legal Issues in Counselling Psychology (3cr)

PSYC 6220 Psychometrics I: Intellectual and Cognitive Abilities (3cr)

PSYC 6110 Applied Research Design and Statistics (3cr)

Semester II – Year I (*4 courses 12 credit hours*)

COSY 6030 Group Counselling Theories and Techniques (3cr)

APSY 6020 Advanced Psychopathology (3cr)

COSY 6010 Counseling Skills and Techniques (3cr)

PSYC 6120 Psychometrics II: Personality Testing (3cr)

Summer Year I (*3 courses 6 credit hours*)

COSY 6012 Family Counselling/Therapy (3cr)

COSY XXXX Practicum Lab (0cr)

COSY 6014 Substance Abuse Theories and Counselling (3cr)

Semester I – Year II (*2 courses 9 credit hours*)

COSY 6090 Integrative Internship & Seminar I (6cr)

PSYC 6100 Advanced Developmental Psychology – (100% online) (3cr)

Semester II – Year II (*2 courses 9 credit hours*)

COSY 6090 Integrative Internship & Seminar 2 (6cr)

An approved elective

1) COSY 6013 Vocational Counselling (100% online) (3cr) or

2) COSY 6011 Marital and Couples Counselling/Therapy (100% online) (3cr)

\* Classes during Semester I and II are delivered on Fridays and Saturdays from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

\*\* Summer Classes delivery varies throughout the week and on Saturdays.

## PRACTICUM LAB

The practicum lab provides students with hands on experience and exposure to working with clients along with other didactic training. It also prepares students for integrative internship and seminar. The practicum lab course is worth (0) credits; however, students obtain 40 hours of supervised clinical experience which includes both direct and indirect hours. Finally, students are required to complete the practicum lab before proceeding to the integrative internship and seminar.

## INTEGRATIVE INTERNSHIP & SEMINAR I & II

Internationally, practical work experience during graduate study is a critical component of graduate programmes to ensure student readiness for the world of work. The clinical internship is taken over two ( 2) semesters. The integrative internship and seminar allows students to utilize the knowledge, skills, and exposure gained during coursework and practicum. This knowledge is then applied during the internship placement. During the internship placement, students will be trained and supervised by suitably qualified psychologists; thus, preparing them to be competent for practice in counselling psychology. In addition, students are expected to attend the integrative seminars and make formal presentations about their internship experience.

## PERSONAL THERAPY

Students are also expected to complete individual therapy no less than 12 hours with a registered psychologist or psychiatrist. This cost is absorbed by the student.

## EVALUATION OF COURSES AND COURSEWORK

Each course in the programme is assessed by either 100% coursework or a combination of 50 % coursework and 50% written examination. In order to pass courses, students must obtain a minimum of 50% in courses assessed by coursework only. For courses assessed by both coursework and written examination, students must a minimum of 50% on both components. If a student fails a course, he or she is allowed to repeat the course only once.