Psychological and Cultural Studies

Psychological and Cultural Studies are intended for students who desire graduate study but are not pursuing professional licensure as counselors. Degree candidates explore the academic discipline of psychology as it is applied through counseling and intercultural communication. This program presents an opportunity for creative individualized study. These degrees are designed for students already enrolled in a Counseling Psychology degree program who choose not to, or are otherwise unable to, complete clinical training requirements (e.g., practicum or internship) and therefore will not seek licensure based on this degree. Students may apply to transfer to this degree program by following the process outlined on the Degree Program Change Request form, available on the Counseling Psychology website at http://www.lclark.edu/graduate/departments/counseling_psychology/resources/forms_and_handbooks/

Master of Arts in Psychological and Cultural Studies

The Master of Arts in Psychological and Cultural Studies degree is an opportunity to pursue graduate studies in psychology while drawing from a broad array of scholarly traditions and professional practices. This degree is designed for students already enrolled in a Counseling Psychology degree program who choose not to, or are otherwise unable to, complete clinical training requirements (e.g., practicum or internship) and therefore will not seek licensure based on this degree. Students may only enter this program by applying to transfer from another Counseling Psychology program; applications should follow the process outlined on the Degree Program Change Request form. Students in the master of arts program seek instead to focus their graduate studies within the framework of a degree that supports creative and highly individualized study.

For this 44-semester-hour degree, department faculty have identified 10 courses in our curriculum that are fundamental to understanding the philosophy, history, and systems of contemporary psychology, mental health, and counseling. The remaining 16 credits are electives and may be drawn from curricula across Lewis & Clark’s graduate and law schools or used for independent, directed studies.

Degree Requirements
A minimum of 44 semester hours, distributed as follows:

Required Degree Courses

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CPSY 513 Theory and Philosophy of Counseling 3
CPSY 514 Group Counseling With Adolescents 3
or CPSY 515 Group Counseling With Children and Adolescents 3
CPSY 520 Career Counseling 2
CPSY 532 Introduction to Assessment 2
CPSY 535 Research Methods in Counseling 3
CPSY 550 Diversity and Social Justice 3

Graduate Core Requirement
A minimum of 2 semester hours of Core Program coursework and one Core convocation

Elective Courses
Remaining credits may be used for elective courses

Master of Science in Psychological and Cultural Studies

Students admitted to the Master of Arts in Psychological and Cultural Studies program may choose to seek an M.S. degree. This option, which is often of interest to students planning to pursue a doctoral degree in psychology, is available only upon formal application to the M.S. program. Students wishing to pursue this degree apply after completing the requirements listed below.

Requirements for Application
Application to the M.S. requires prior admission to the Master of Arts in Psychological and Cultural Studies (http://docs.lclark.edu/catalog/archive/2012-2013/graduate/specialprograms/coreprogram/). In addition to prior admission, application to the master of science requires the following:

- A demonstrated capacity for initiative and independent research
- Completion of CPSY 530 (this should be taken in place of CPSY 535) with a grade of B or better
- Completion of CPSY 531
- Completion of a thesis proposal, including a timeline for completing the project, agreement by a faculty member to serve as chair of a thesis committee, and designation of a three-person faculty committee
- Formal approval of a thesis proposal by a thesis committee

Degree Requirements
A minimum of 44 semester hours, distributed as follows:

Students must meet all regular requirements for a Master of Arts in Psychological and Cultural Studies (except CPSY 535)
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