PASTORAL COUNSELING (PCGR)

PCGR 6310. HUMAN GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT. (3 Credits)
This course will explore the development from birth and adolescence through the tasks and crisis of middle and later life. Stage theories, cognitive, social and emotional development will be the focus of this course. Special consideration will be given to spiritual life issues throughout the development process.

PCGR 6380. THEOL P.C. & SPIRIT CARE. (3 Credits)
This course addresses theological and spiritual issues in the field of pastoral care and counseling and proposes a theological method for reflecting on these issues.

PCGR 6382. SOC & CUL FOUND OF COUNSELING. (3 Credits)
This course will explore the multicultural dimensions of counseling. It will elaborate the social and cultural goals of therapy from this perspective. Various theories, research and practice of counseling will be developed, including the spiritual dimensions of the theory.

PCGR 6384. PROF ETHICS/PAST COUNS. (3 Credits)
An exploration of critical issues in the ethical practice of counseling and psychotherapy, this course addresses the roles and responsibilities of the professional counselor. Using case studies and small group work, we will explore potential ethical conflicts and methods of ethical reasoning, as students develop skills to work through ethical conflicts in the counseling setting.

PCGR 6386. PAST COUNSELING THEORY. (3 Credits)
Faith and ministry of pastoral counseling. Consideration of religious resources and identity, theories of the counseling process and practical issues of therapeutic relationship, contract, setting, referral, etc.

PCGR 6390. PSYCHOPATHOLOGY & DIAGNOSIS. (3 Credits)
The course will introduce students to the basics of psychopathology and psychological diagnosis for use in clinical and pastoral work. This course is designed to help students cultivate the ability to think critically and creatively about psychopathology and diagnosis “on the ground,” so that they can work from a diagnostic standpoint that is human, flexible, empathic, and non-judgmental, with a focus on the real person one meets in the consulting room or ministry setting. Within this framework, the course will cover interviewing and assessment skills, DSM 5 categories, ethical considerations, character/personality issues, and pastoral assessment. Weekly case studies will be used to practice the art of diagnostic formulation, with an eye toward treatment planning and case formulation.

PCGR 6410. PSYCHOLOGY & RELIG/SPIR. (3 Credits)
This course explores spirituality and religious experience from a psychological viewpoint. The theories of Freud, Jung, Winnicot, and others are engaged in order to understand how our psychology affects our religious lives and vice-versa. Using text, experiential exercises, and critical reflection, we will engage our own religious history and traditions, and explore what it means to be a fully alive human being.

PCGR 6420. MARRIAGE/FAMILY THERAPY. (3 Credits)
A systemic approach to family treatment. A survey of the major contributors to the field, using videotape demonstrations of family sessions. Genograms will be used to explore family-of-origin issues.

PCGR 6440. PAST COUNSELING SKILLS. (3 Credits)
Integrates humanistic counseling theory with intragroup practice. Focus on the listening skills of attending, accurate empathy, clarifying and focusing. Use of audio and video. No audit. (three hours).

PCGR 6510. ADVANCED LIFE SPAN ISSUES & CAREER COUNSELING. (3 Credits)
This course explores the advanced lifespan issues of adulthood, through the lens of pastoral and clinical care. Specific focus will be given to issues of career and vocation.

PCGR 7420. DEATH DYING & BEREAVEMENT. (3 Credits)
Focus on integrating theoretical knowledge, ministerial skills and personal experiences in relation to specific topics and issues. Not just how to minister, but how one goes about explaining the meaning of loss, death and grief.

PCGR 7422. GROUP PROCESS: TH & TECH. (3 Credits)
An experiential and didactic introduction to group process. Group-as-a-whole, interpersonal and general group models. Applications to the different forms of pastoral ministry. Limited enrollment (three hours), (No audit).
PCGR 7472. CLINICAL INSTR INTEGR PROC II. (3 Credits)
This continuation course is designed to accompany the field placement for students in the clinical pastoral counseling 60 Credit Program. Prerequisite: REGR 6839. **Prerequisites:** REGR 6839 or PCGR 7471.

PCGR 8999. TUTORIAL. (0-6 Credits)