Marriage and Family Therapy, MAS

Program Description

Degree Awarded: MAS Marriage and Family Therapy

The purpose of this self-contained, accelerated MAS program in marriage and family therapy is to provide high-quality coursework and supervised internship experiences that meet the degree requirements for licensure in the State of Arizona to practice marriage and family therapy as determined and laid out by the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners. The degree requirements are specified by the board, and the program is designed to train practitioners who wish to practice marriage and family therapy.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus

Degree Requirements

39 credit hours and a master's research paper

The master's degree program in marriage and family therapy requires the successful completion of a minimum of 39 credit hours and a project, including required coursework and completion of 300 client-contact hours in a community internship placement approved by the master's degree in marriage and family therapy faculty. Internships are expected to last approximately 12 months. Students must maintain a GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in all coursework and satisfactorily meet the expectations of the agency supervising their internship.

Students are required to have a vehicle and a valid Arizona driver's license for internship placement.

An internship entrance examination will be held at the end of the first 7.5-week semester, to demonstrate readiness for internship placement.
Admission Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree from a regionally accredited institution in a related field, such as counseling, psychology, and family and human development, among others.

Applicants must have a minimum of a 3.00 cumulative GPA (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of a student's first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum of a 3.00 cumulative GPA (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. a personal statement
4. resume
5. three letters of recommendation
6. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information

An applicant whose native language is not English (regardless of current residency) must provide proof of English proficiency.

Letters of recommendation must be from three people who know the applicant in a professional or academic capacity. Family members and friends do not meet this criterion.

Students should refer to the program's website for detailed information on admission requirements.

Application Deadlines

Fall

Contact Information