## **ENROLMENT GUIDE**

Graduate Diploma of Counselling



## **GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF COUNSELLING**

### **Course overview**

The Graduate Diploma of Counselling will teach you the technical and theoretical aspects of professional counselling, integrated with a Christian worldview. This course has an emphasis on vocational readiness and will teach you to apply counselling skills with integrity and professionalism. The units from this course can be used for credit towards the Masters-level counselling degree.

#### **Course Duration**

Full-time load 12 months Part-time up to 4 years

#### **Course Structure**

The course structure is based on two semesters (each of 13 weeks duration), with four subjects taught in each semester. It comprises:

• 8 core subjects (80 credit points)

To qualify for award of the degree of Graduate Diploma in Counselling a candidate shall accrue an aggregate of at least 80 credit points resulting in completion of the core subjects.

Contact the Program Director, Dr Katherine Hurrell, for more information on the Graduate Diploma in Counselling award by emailing: katherine.hurrell@ac.edu.au

## What you need to know

#### **Elective Subjects**

Any SSC unit that is not classified as a core unit within the Master of Counselling award is classified as an elective subject.

Before enrolling into an elective subject, ensure you have met the pre-requisite for that unit.

#### **Pre-requisites**

A pre-requisite is a unit that must be successfully completed before attempting another unit. For example, in order to attempt SSC514, you must complete SSC412. Students must have completed the pre-requisite to enrol in the subject.

#### **Course Levels**

400 or 500 level is indicated in the course code e.g., SSC410 is a 400-level Social Science unit, whereas RES500 is a 500-level Research unit. The units increase in difficulty and build upon content and concepts that have come before.

#### **Timetables**

To check if units are available at your campus, Online Live, or Online Recorded, or for timetable information please visit our Timetable.

For more information about this course see the <u>course handbook</u> located on the AC website.

#### **Counselling Accreditation**

This award provides eligiblility for level 1 accreditation with PACFA and ACA. Students who go on and complete the Master of Counselling will be eligible for level 2 accreditation.



# **COURSE STRUCTURE**

Students are to complete 8 core subjects.

#### **CORE UNITS / 8 UNITS**

CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	CREDIT POINTS	PRE-REQ
SSC400	Foundations in Social Research, Writing and Methods	10	-
THE401	Christian Worldview	10	-
SSC410	Psychology of Emotion and Wellbeing	10	-
SSC412	Counselling Practice I	10	-
SSC510	Human Lifespan Development	10	SSC410
SSC514	Counselling Practice II	10	SSC412
SSC516	Mental Health	10	SSC410
SSC517	Applied Counselling Theories	10	SSC410

## How to enrol in units

Enrol through the <u>Student Gateway.</u> For further assistance with enrolment or regarding changes in your course, contact the Student Support Team: studentsupport@ac.edu.au