



Master of Clinical Mental Health Counseling Graduate Program Application Essay

The purpose of this essay is to demonstrate your ability and desire to succeed in the Master of Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program. The essay should be two to four typed pages, double-spaced, using a 12-point Times New Roman font, and written in the first person using the active voice. The essay will be evaluated for use of proper grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, and clarity of content.

On the cover page of your application essay, include the following information:

Name:

Email address:

Telephone Number:

Program of Study:

Date:

Please address the following topics in your essay:

1. Identify and describe what you hope to accomplish by obtaining your Master of Clinical Mental Health Counseling degree.
2. Inventory the personal strengths you will bring to the profession. How will each of these strengths help you to do the best job you can?
3. Describe two positive experiences with culturally diverse populations, either professionally or personally, in which you learned new ways of relating to people effectively.
4. Identify two areas of your personality that will be helpful to you in allowing you to be open and honest with yourself about the areas you will need to improve.
5. If by some miracle, you would wake up tomorrow and already have earned your degree, what kind of work would you be doing? What population(s) of people would you work with and in what kind of setting? Describe two goals you intend to achieve after graduating from the Master of Clinical Mental Health Counseling program.
6. Please finish by identifying the personal rewards you hope to obtain from your chosen career.