



25th Anniversary
**DIVINE MERCY
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DIVINE MERCY UNIVERSITY

Graduate Psychology and Counseling
Degrees Rooted in Faith, Based in Science



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About Us

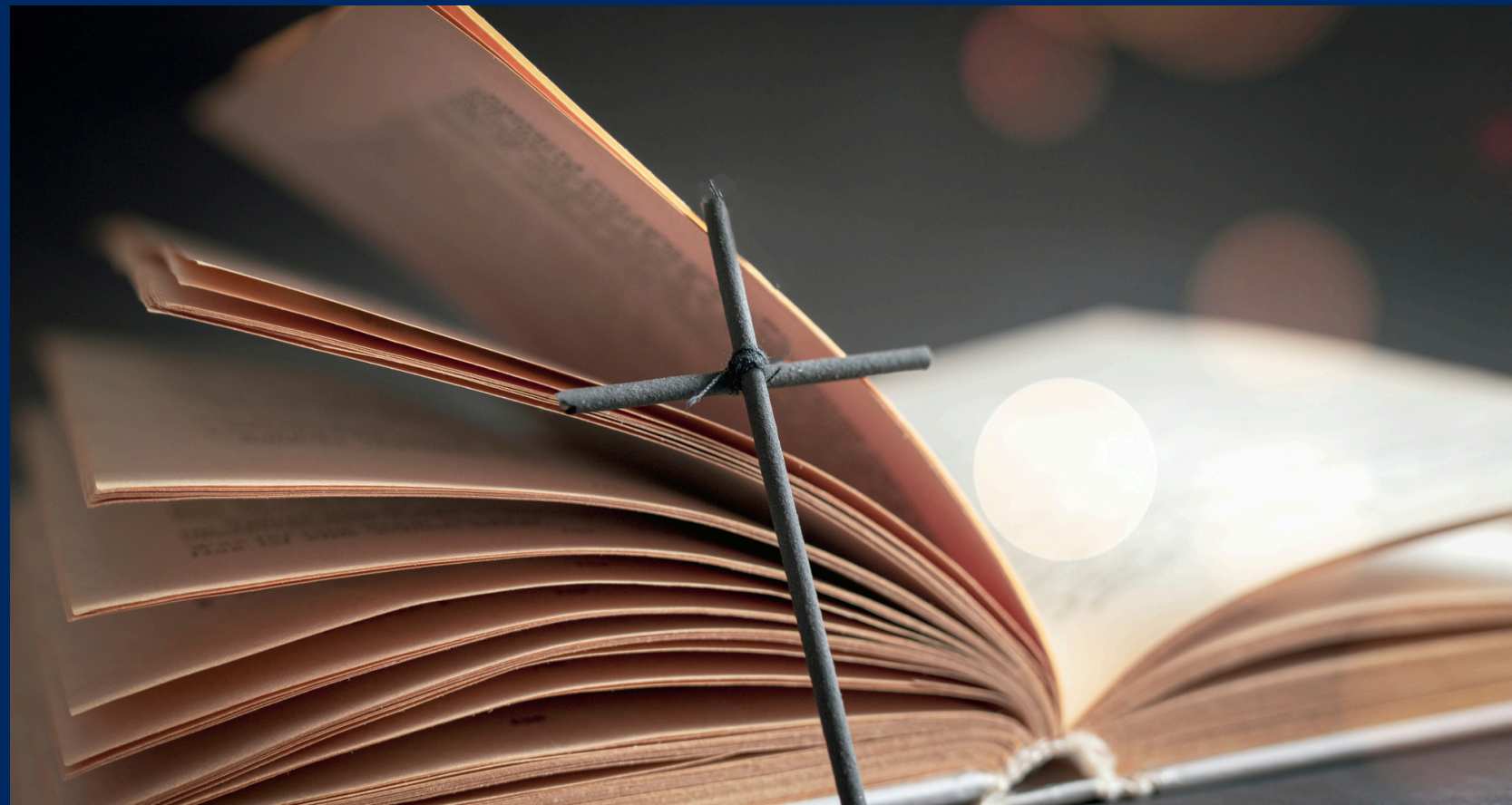
An International Center for the Scientific Study of Psychology with a Catholic Understanding

Divine Mercy University (DMU) is a Catholic graduate school of psychology and counseling, founded in 1999 as the Institute for the Psychological Sciences. The University is dedicated to the scientific study of psychology with a Catholic understanding of the person, marriage and the family. The University offers a Doctoral (Psy.D.) degree in Clinical Psychology, a Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision (CES), a Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Psychology and a Master of Science (M.S.) in Counseling and a Spiritual Direction Certificate (SDC).



Vision

Divine Mercy University's vision is to be an international center for scholarship and professional education dedicated to the study of the mind and soul grounded in an integral Catholic-Christian view of the human person. Maintaining the highest academic standards, the institution will educate new generations of professionals in psychology-related fields and open new areas of scholarship for theories that explore the relationship of the human psyche and Catholic-Christian theological, philosophical and anthropological principles.



Mission

The University provides students an appropriate academic and educational environment that supports the integration of science, scholarship and a Catholic-Christian understanding of the person through a rigorous, critical and objective search for truth. It assists students intellectually, humanly and professionally as they prepare themselves to respond to their vocation as mental health professionals or as men and women in helping professions. The University's mission also involves dialogue about its integrative approach with practitioners, scholars and cultural leaders, nationally and internationally.



PSY.D. IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY AT DIVINE MERCY UNIVERSITY



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Psy.D. in Clinical Psychology at Divine Mercy University

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The Psy.D. program consists of 122 semester credit hours of coursework: 101 credit hours of psychology, 12 credit hours of integrative studies in philosophy and theology, and a minimum of 9 credit hours of dissertation research. Students must also complete a minimum of 1,500 hours of clinical externship (with the initial year of practicum training occurring in the IPS Center for the Psychological Services and additional training occurring in both secular and nonsecular off-site clinical settings), pass a comprehensive examination, author and defend a doctoral dissertation, and complete 2,000 hours in an APPIC-member pre-doctoral internship.

The IPS Doctoral Program (Psy.D.) in Clinical Psychology is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the American Psychological Association (APA).* This program adopts as its training model a modified version of the Practitioner-Scholar model, which is based upon guidelines developed by the National Council of Schools and Programs of Professional Psychology (NCSSP).





PH.D. IN COUNSELOR EDUCATION AND SUPERVISION PROGRAM AT DIVINE MERCY UNIVERSITY



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Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision Program

ONLINE/HYBRID

This 90-credit doctoral program builds on DMU's Master's in Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program, as a foundation and incorporates 30 credits from the program for the 90-credit doctoral program. Students with graduate degrees in counseling or related fields from accredited institutions can transfer up to 30 credits into the Ph.D. program depending on courses taken in their prior graduate programs. The doctoral program requires an additional 60 credit hours of coursework addressing professional roles in 5 areas: counseling, supervision, teaching, research and scholarship, and leadership and advocacy.

Additionally, students are required to complete internship experiences in advanced counseling, supervision, and teaching, and a doctoral dissertation of original research. Students are also required to travel to complete three extended weekend residencies in the duration of the program. The residencies are designed as working residencies where students gather to encourage each other, practice skills they are learning, and focus on the completion of their dissertations..

The Ph.D. in Counselors Education and Supervision program and curriculum is aligned with premier industry programmatic standards. The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), a specialized accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), grants accreditation for master's and doctoral programs in professional counseling.

The Ph.D. in Counselors Education and Supervision program at DMU is not yet accredited by CACREP. DMU cannot hold any promise or guarantee of becoming CACREP accredited; however, DMU is committed to following the CACREP standards in the design, preparation, and deployment of the program and then applying for CACREP accreditation.





M.S. IN COUNSELING AT DIVINE MERCY UNIVERSITY



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Master of Science in Counseling with a concentration in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC)

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The Master of Science in Counseling with a concentration in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) from Divine Mercy University is a program that embraces the Catholic-Christian vision of the person and educates on the core dispositions established by industry standards. Students acquire the necessary counseling knowledge and skills to engage in communities as effective community leaders and social justice advocates. Graduates are compassionate and ethical in their work as trained professionals that honor and respect the innate dignity of every person in a global, diverse population.

The Divine Mercy University online M.S. in Counseling degree requires 66 semester credit hours of coursework, as well as a practicum experience of 100 hours with a minimum of 40 hours of direct services and an internship of 600 hours with a minimum of 240 hours of direct service. Students are also required to travel to complete three extended weekend residencies in the duration of the program.





M.S. IN PSYCHOLOGY AT DIVINE MERCY UNIVERSITY



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Master of Science in Psychology

100% ONLINE
NO GRE REQUIRED

The M.S. in Psychology online degree program at Divine Mercy University is a unique 33-credit hour program that equips students to use

psychological knowledge and practical skills to promote flourishing in a vast variety of settings from business and leadership to human services and ministry. Students learn to integrate a Catholic-Christian vision of the person with best practices in psychological theory, research, and intervention. This non-licensing program focuses on training for broader interventions and the development of work and ministry cultures that foster well-being. In order to provide specialized training for a variety of applied settings, the program offers concentrations in:

- **MARRIAGE AND FAMILY STUDIES**
- **LEADERSHIP**
- **PRE-PHD**
- **HUMAN SERVICES COUNSELING**
- **BIOETHICS**
- **SELF-DESIGNED (FREE CHOICE OF ELECTIVES)**





SPIRITUAL DIRECTION CERTIFICATE IN THE CATHOLIC-CHRISTIAN TRADITION AT DIVINE MERCY UNIVERSITY



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Spiritual Direction Certificate in the Catholic-Christian Tradition

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The Spiritual Direction Certificate (SDC) is designed to provide the knowledge, skills, and supervision for future spiritual directors. The certificate seeks to respond to the ongoing need for the followers of Jesus Christ to assist one another on their path of becoming, each day, more faithful disciples of the Lord.

The SDC is made up of six online classes which include two four-day, on-site residences, practicum, and supervision. The online classes are offered three times a year in eight-week segments. The pillars of the certificate include: integration of theological and human sciences as they relate to spiritual development; learning the art and skills of interpersonal relationships; and the fruitful experience of supervision.

The Spiritual Direction Certificate Program at Divine Mercy University is an online program presented in eight-week modules. Students complete weekly coursework on their own schedule in an asynchronous learning environment. Here is what you can expect:

1. Each course requires on average about 7-10 hours of work per week.
2. The skills-related courses (SDC 300 and SDC 500) involve some group work via video conferencing and include a required four-day residency.
3. None of the SDC Program courses carry transferable credit to the degree programs of Divine Mercy University.





ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

25%: Priests, Deacons, professed Religious and those in consecrated life serving in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Allentown

20%: Full-time Employees of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Allentown, a parish, school or other ministry or the administrative agents of the diocese, and members of their immediate families (children or spouse), will receive a tuition reduction of 20% for any of the DMU degree programs

20%: Lay faithful (non-employee or Religious) in good standing with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Allentown will receive a tuition reduction of 20% for any of the DMU online or campus-based degree programs

10%: All of the above can receive 10% off of the Spiritual Direction Certificate program





SCHOLARSHIPS OVERVIEW

The purpose of the DMU Scholarship Program is to assist DMU students with internal scholarships.



At DMU, we are committed to a rich tradition of educating our graduate students in the areas of counseling and psychology integrating the authentic Catholic-Christian view of the human person through studies of theology and philosophy.

Scholarships for ALL DMU Programs

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SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Students from Newman Schools

Amount: Up to 15% Discount

Requirements: You must be currently enrolled in a university or graduate program that belongs to the Cardinal Newman Society.

Merit-Based Scholarships for Specific DMU Programs (Psy.D. in Clinical Psychology, MS Counseling & MS Psychology)

The following Merit-based scholarship opportunities are available for applicants actively applying for admission to a specific program. A committee will evaluate and grant these scholarships to the best candidate before certain deadlines, if interested request those deadlines to your Financial Aid advisor.

Amount: Merit Scholarships from 10% to 50% off tuition.

Description: These scholarships are for students who are seeking admission to the PSYD program. There are a limited number of these scholarships. These scholarships are granted based on the faculty's evaluation of the overall quality of the candidates' application and interview.

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