

State Licensure Information: California

State Licensing Board: [California Board of Behavioral Sciences](#)

Accreditation Information: Regional Accreditation is required

UMass Global is regionally accredited under the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)

Degree Program total unit requirement: A minimum of 60

Course equivalency: One (1) course is equal to three (3) semester credits (units)

Courses or course work required:

1. MFT Theory, principle & Methods
2. Psychopathology
3. Developmental issues across the lifespan
4. Substance abuse and co-occurring disorders
5. Socioeconomic status
6. Resilience
7. Cultural competency
8. Psychopharmacology
9. Human sexuality
10. Assessment and Testing
11. Child Abuse Assessment and Reporting
12. Professional ethics and (California) law
13. Case management and systems of care

Courses required compared to BU courses offered

California Course Work	UMass Global Equivalency
MFT Theory, principle, & Methods	PSYU 512 – Family Therapy Theories and Techniques: A Modern Emphasis
	PSYU 514 – Couples Therapy
	PSYU 526 – Family Therapy Theories and Techniques: A Postmodern Emphasis
Psychopathology	PSYU 510 – Psychopathology and Diagnosis
Developmental Issues Across the Lifespan	PSYU 522 – Individual and Family Development
Substance abuse and Co-Occurring Disorders	PSYU 516 – Assessment and Treatment of Substance Abuse
Socioeconomic Status & Resilience	PSYU 542 – Community and Environmental Mental Health
Cultural Competence & Cultural interaction	PSYU 524 – Clinical Issues in Human Diversity
Psychopharmacology	PSYU 536 – Psychopharmacology
Human Sexuality	PSYU 538 – Assessment and Treatment of Sexual Disorders
Assessment and Testing	PSYU 534 – Clinical Assessment

Child Abuse Assessment and Reporting	PSYU 518 – Child and Adolescent Psychopathology and Child Abuse Reporting
Professional Ethics	PSYU 506 – Ethical and Professional Issues
Case management	PSYU 542 – Community and Environmental Mental Health
Research	PSYU 528 – Research and Bibliographic Methods

Practicum Requirements:

In compliance with the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) standards, the University practicum requirements are standardized across all applicable states. These requirements meet or exceed your specific state guidelines for practicum. For more details regarding practicum, please contact the Field Support Team at mftpccfield@umassglobal.edu.

Total Clinical Hours	Direct Client Contact Hours	Supervision Hours	Length of Practicum
600 total Hours	500 total hours	100 total hours	A minimum of 12 months
500 direct client contact hours 100 supervision hours	200 of the total direct client contact hours must be with couple and family client units. 300 hours working with individuals, collateral, and assessments.	50 hours must be observable (audio and video recording as well as live supervision)	