

SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES – ADDENDUM JANUARY 2017

DOCTOR OF PSYCHOLOGY

Doctor of Psychology Admissions

Admission to the PsyD program requires a bachelor's degree or its equivalent completed at an appropriately accredited post-secondary institution as well as a master's degree in the field of study or related field from an appropriately accredited post-secondary institution. The official transcripts relating to these degrees must be accepted by and on file at the university. If the applicant has earned a master's degree in another field from an appropriately accredited post-secondary institution, the applicant may petition the Admissions Committee to evaluate the foundational readiness to be successful in the program.

In this case, the Admissions Committee may require the completion of six prerequisite graduate level courses for the PsyD degree:

PSY 86502.1 Counseling Theories and Strategies,
PSY 86801 Therapeutic Boundaries
PSY 86508.1 Culture and Diversity in Counseling
PSY 86505.1 Lifespan Development
PSY 86506.1 Psychopathology
PSY 86511.1 Substance Abuse and Related Disorders

California Southern University may accept a maximum of 30 semester credits in transfer for courses completed at an appropriately accredited postsecondary institution toward the PsyD degree program. The courses must be doctoral level courses completed with a grade of B or better and the courses must be directly related to the respective degree program at California Southern University.

Doctor of Psychology Tuition

Tuition: \$500/credit

Personal Therapy Requirement

Learners who are being trained to become Clinical Psychologists are encouraged to develop insight into personal factors that may affect their performance as clinicians. Faculty mentors and supervisors encourage greater self-reflection and self-awareness through course work and clinical training. Additionally, a Learner's participation in individual, family or group counseling can be beneficial for personal growth and education. The psychology faculty at California Southern University believe that the requirement of personal therapy is an important component of the doctoral program. The requirement is met by the doctoral Learner participating in a minimum of 12 hours of individual therapy or 20 hours of family or group therapy conducted by a licensed marriage and family therapist, licensed clinical social worker, licensed clinical psychologist, or a board-eligible psychiatrist.

POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Certificate in Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency (CPACD)

| Required Core Courses | Credits |
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| PSY 86511.1 Substance Abuse and Related Disorders | 3 |
| PSY 86801 Therapeutic Boundaries | 3 |
| PSY 86509.1 Systems of Family Therapy | 3 |
| PSY 87534 Dual Diagnosis | 3 |
| PSY 87538 Advanced Psychology of Addiction and Compulsive Behaviors (Prerequisite: PSY 86511.1) | 3 |
| PSY 87542 Eating Disorders | 3 |

Certificate in Pastoral Counseling (CPPC)

| Required Core Courses | Credits |
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| PSY 87541 Psychology of Religion | 3 |
| PSY 86801 Therapeutic Boundaries | 3 |
| PSY 86509.1 Systems of Family Therapy | 3 |
| PSY 87507 Human Sexuality | 3 |
| PSY 86517 Psychology of Aging | 3 |
| PSY 87533 Psychology of Death and Dying | 3 |