

UNLV MFT Program - University of Nevada, Las Vegas
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Student Achievement

Advertised Program Length [2.5 YEARS]
 Minimum Time to Complete Program [2.5 YEARS]
 Maximum Time to Complete Program [7 YEARS]

Cohort	Students enrolled	Students graduating within minimum time (2.5 years)	Students graduating in advertised time (2.5 years)	Students graduating in maximum time (7 years)	Graduation rate	# of graduates employed as an MFT	# of graduates who provided their employment status to the program	Job Placement Rate	Graduates who sat for the National/ State exam	Graduates who passed the National/ State exam	Exam Pass Rate
2005-2006	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2006-2007	11	11	11	11	100%	8	8	100%	6	6	100%
2007-2008	8	7	7	7	87.5%	4	4	100%	0	0	100%
2008-2009	8	7	7	8	100%	7	7	100%	7	7	100%
2009-2010	12	11	11	12	100%	9	9	100%	6	6	100%
2010-2011	20	19	19	20	100%	9	9	100%	10	9	90%
2011-2012	28	27	27	28	100%	15	15	100%	4	4	100%
2012-2013	29	29	29	29	100%	0	0	0%	5	5	100%
2013-2014	29	29	29	29	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2014-2015	23	21	21	21	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2015-2016	29	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

*Not everyone responded to our alumni survey. This percentage reflects the percentage of graduates who did respond to the alumni and what we know about graduates in the community (our best estimate).

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Admission Policies

The admissions deadline is January 15th of every year.

- **Review the application requirements and submit your application online through the UNLV Graduate College**
 - Note that the minimum GPA is 2.75 per the UNLV Graduate College Standards (see the [application requirements](#)).
 - Please carefully follow the instructions for the online application process. Remember you may save your work in the application and then log back in using your user name & password, so you do not need to complete this application all at one time. However, once you hit the final SUBMIT button at the end of the application you cannot re-enter or make any additional changes.
 - Click here to go to the online application
 - More information about admissions can be found at <http://graduatecollege.unlv.edu/>
 - Note: We are no longer accepting paper applications sent directly to the program.
- **Complete the GRE (Graduate Record Examination)**
 - Your application should include your scores on the verbal and quantitative sections of the GRE General Test. While there is no minimum GRE score for admission, students accepted into the program typically score 150 (verbal) and 141 (quantitative). Applicants who apply by Jan 15th but do not take their GRE until after the 15th will NOT be considered.
 - As part of your test fee, you may request that scores be sent to as many as four graduate institutions. Be sure to have your results sent to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Your scores will be sent to you and UNLV in 10-15 days following the test. The institutional **GRE code is 4861**. You can also request at a later date that your scores be sent to UNLV, but you will be charged an additional fee.
 - When you complete the UNLV Graduate College online application, please enter your GRE scores. Your application will not be considered complete without your GRE scores. We will then verify the scores you report with the official scores sent to UNLV. In order to be admitted to the program, we must have the official scores sent to the university.
 - More information about the GRE can be found at www.ets.org/gre/
 - Note: Only applicants possessing doctoral degrees are exempt from the GRE requirement.
- **Complete the [MFT Program Admissions Application](#) and submit it online through the Graduate Program Supplementary Information section of the online application**
- **Complete and submit online the following two essays. Applicants should upload these through the Graduate Program Supplementary Information section of the online application**

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- Personal Statement: Write a brief, autobiographical essay outlining your interest in becoming a marriage and family therapist. Please include a discussion of your personal and family background and how your experiences have led to your decision to pursue a career as a marriage and family therapist. Please also include a discussion of your professional goals. (Please type – four-page double-spaced maximum)
- Essay on the Family: Write a brief essay in response to the following questions: “What is your definition of family? What is the biggest challenge or issue facing families today? (Please type – two-page double-spaced maximum)
- **Upload copies of transcripts (if available) of all undergraduate and previous graduate work into the online application and have official copies of transcripts sent to the UNLV Graduate College:**
 - University of Nevada, Las Vegas
 - Graduate College
 - FDH 352, Box 451017
 - 4505 S. Maryland Parkway
 - Las Vegas, NV 89154-1017
- Note: If you are unable to upload copies of your transcripts into the online application, you must send a copy directly to the Marriage and Family Therapy Program. However, we strongly encourage you to upload copies of your transcripts in the online application in order to expedite the review of your application.
- **Submit three letters of recommendation**

Applicants should request letters of recommendation from three individuals. Ideally, these recommendations should come from professors, professionals in the mental health field, and/or employers who can address your qualifications and potential for graduate study, the field of marriage and family therapy, or both. (Friends, family members, and acquaintances are not acceptable references.)

 - It is preferred that applicants request letters through the online application, which directs recommenders to submit their letters electronically. Instructions are outlined within the online application (click on the "Recommendations" link). If the recommender, however, cannot send the letter electronically, they may send the recommendation directly to the program.
 - It is your responsibility to follow-up with your references to make sure the deadline is met.
- **Applicant Interviews**

Upon review by the program Admissions Committee, a select group of applicants will be invited to participate in interviews with the program faculty on campus.

Applicants are responsible for making sure all materials arrive by the deadline. If you have any questions about the application process, please contact Dr. Katherine Hertlein, Program Director and Graduate Coordinator, at 702-895-3210 or katherine.hertlein@unlv.edu.

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Criteria for Entering the Clinical Program

The following items will be assessed and are needed for consideration:

- Undergraduate GPA and transcripts
- GRE scores OR documentation of completed doctoral work
- Completed application
- 3 Letters of references
- Personal statement
- Essay
- Interview

To receive consideration, applications must be received by January 15th of each year.

Transfer of Credit

Not more than one-third of a student's degree program (not including the thesis, dissertation, or professional scholarly paper) may be transferred from another university at the time admission is granted. Courses used to fulfill requirements for one degree may not be used to reduce credit hour requirements in another degree program. For UNLV non-degree seeking graduate students, a maximum of 15 graduate credits taken at UNLV may be applied toward a graduate degree program (see UNLV Graduate Catalog).

If a student has concerns regarding transfer of credits into the MFT Program, the student should follow these steps:

1. Contact his/her faculty advisor and discussing the concerns. The student must provide documentation along with the request, such as a copy of a transcript plus the course syllabus to support why the credits should be accepted as counting toward the master's degree in marriage and family therapy.
2. If resolution is not reached, or if the student is not satisfied with the response or resolution, the student may appeal to the Program Director in writing, specifying the reason for the dissatisfaction and providing copies of supporting documentation.
3. Upon receipt of the appeal, the Program Director will either a) review the situation and render a decision, or b) appoint a faculty review committee, excluding the faculty member in question, to investigate the situation and make recommendations to the Program Director. The Program Director will then render a decision.
4. If the student is not satisfied with the decision, the student may appeal to the Graduate College using the existing appeals process. Visit <http://graduatecollege.unlv.edu/> , then Information for Stu

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Academic Offerings

The purpose of the MFT Program is to help students become Marriage and Family Therapists. Students receive training in theory, research, practice and ethics. Translating theory and research into practice is achieved through training in therapeutic approaches, strategies and techniques through the hands-on experience of practica and internship. Students who complete the Marriage and Family Therapy program typically are eligible to apply for licensure as a Marriage and Family Therapist. Regulation of Marriage and Family Therapy is directed by State Licensing Boards, varying from state to state, and students should consult with the licensing boards of the state(s) in which they are considering practicing.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

If a student is **not** making satisfactory progress towards meeting the degree requirements, the Program may request that the Graduate Dean either separate the student from the College or place the student on probation.

Failure to make satisfactory progress may be determined in several ways:

1. Failure to follow the course sequence).
2. Failure to register for courses for two consecutive semesters.
3. Unsatisfactory grades (including grades below a B, Incompletes or Withdrawals).
4. Failure to consult with an Advisor.
5. Failure to develop an official degree program.
6. Failure to complete all master's degree requirements within 6 years.

Fees and Charges:

The total fees for the program are proposed by the MFT Program and approved by the Dean of the Greenspun College of Urban Affairs as well as by the Provost's Office. In order to determine the fees for the program, we conducted a survey of the cost of similarly-designed programs and offer our program at a lower rate than most. The total fees are inclusive and include:

- Non-State portion of registration fees – Includes access funds
- All non-state mandatory fees – facility fees, technology fees, student health fees, rebel recycling, study abroad scholarship fee, GSA fee, Student services fee and reg fee II.

First semester students are also charged the New Grad Student Fee. Any International students will pay an extra \$145 International student fee plus the health insurance fee. Finally, there are also payment plans available. For more information about fees, please refer to the UNLV MFT Graduate Student Handbook.