

SMU Department of Counseling

SPRING TERM (1262) SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

JANUARY 20– MAY 16, 2026

SPRING BREAK: MARCH 16-20, 2026

REGISTRATION PERIOD: NOVEMBER 3* -21, 2025

(* NOVEMBER 4TH FOR STUDENTS WITH LESS THAN 36 HOURS IN THE PROGRAM AT THE END OF FALL TERM)

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION PERIOD BEGINS - NOVEMBER 22, 2025 AT MIDNIGHT

- Welcome to our new students entering SPRING Term 2026! We are so happy to have you. **Be sure to review the last page of this document for information about what classes you should take in your first term.**
- Please note that there will be a **mandatory Group Advising / Orientation meeting on Monday, January 12^h, at 5:30 pm** (ONLY for NEW Spring Term students) that will help you transition successfully to the program and will cover information such as curriculum, advising, procedures, and academic resources including library and writing services. Watch your email for more details.
- TEXTBOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE BARNES & NOBLE ON THE MAIN CAMPUS ON MOCKINGBIRD a few days before the term begins, and there will be a direct link to the bookstore from my.SMU when you register for classes. This will also allow you to charge your books to your SMU account, rent books, resell books, etc. **REMEMBER, you can purchase your textbooks at any retail or online store of your choosing.**
- Our Program Calendars for this Academic Year with term dates, holidays, Add/Drop and Withdrawal Policies, etc. can be found on our website or by clicking [here](#).

Remember, it is your responsibility to ensure that your enrollment is accurate, and all University deadlines are met

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CLASS NO.

HDCN 6301 SEC 001	COUNSELING THEORIES	5034	MONDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50 AM	MARIO DE LA GARZA, PH.D.
HDCN 6301 SEC 002	COUNSELING THEORIES	5035	WEDNESDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50 AM	LAKAAVIA TAYLOR- HOLMAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6301 SEC 003	COUNSELING THEORIES	6139	FRIDAYS	9:00AM – 11:50AM	LISA PEARSON, PH.D.
HDCN 6301 SEC 701	COUNSELING THEORIES	5036	MONDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	MARIO DE LA GARZA, PH.D.
HDCN 6301 SEC 702	COUNSELING THEORIES	5037	THURSDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	PATRICE DUNN, PH.D.
HDCN 6302 SEC 001	BASIC CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES	5038	MONDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50 AM	MISTY SOLT, PH.D.
HDCN 6302 SEC 002	BASIC CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES	5039	WEDNESDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50 AM	TIFFANY BORDONADA, PH.D.
HDCN 6302 SEC 003	BASIC CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES	6143	THURSDAYS	9:30AM – 12:20PM	LISA BEIJAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6302 SEC 701	BASIC CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES	5040	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	LAKAAVIA TAYLOR- HOLMAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6302 SEC 702	BASIC CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES	5041	THURSDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	TIFFANY BORDONADA, PH.D.
HDCN 6303 SEC 001	GROUP COUNSELING PRE-REQUISITE: HDCN 6302 BASIC CLINICAL METHODS	5042	THURSDAYS	9:30AM – 12:20PM	RACHEL FALBO, PH.D.
HDCN 6303 SEC 701	GROUP COUNSELING PRE-REQUISITE: HDCN 6302 BASIC CLINICAL METHODS	5043	TUESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	MISTY SOLT, PH.D.
HDCN 6303 SEC 702	GROUP COUNSELING PRE-REQUISITE: HDCN 6302 BASIC CLINICAL METHODS	5044	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	TERRA WAGNER, PH.D.
HDCN 6304 SEC 001	COUNSELING DIVERSE COMMUNITIES	5045	WEDNESDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50 AM	TERRA WAGNER, PH.D.
HDCN 6304 SEC 701	COUNSELING DIVERSE COMMUNITIES	5046	TUESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	TERRA WAGNER, PH.D.

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HDCN 6304 SEC 702	COUNSELING DIVERSE COMMUNITIES	6144	MONDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	CINDY ANDERTON, PH.D.
HDCN 6305 SEC 001	ADVANCED CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6301, 6302, 6303, 6316, 6318	5047	TUESDAYS	9:30 AM - 12:20 PM	FARNOOSH NOURI, PH.D.
HDCN 6305 SEC 002	ADVANCED CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6301, 6302, 6303, 6316, 6318	5048	THURSDAYS	1:00PM - 3:50 PM	ROBYN JARDINE, PH.D.
HDCN 6305 SEC 701	ADVANCED CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6301, 6302, 6303, 6316, 6318	5049	MONDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	ROBYN JARDINE, PH.D.
HDCN 6305 SEC 702	ADVANCED CLINICAL METHODS FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6301, 6302, 6303, 6316, 6318	5161	TUESDAY	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	FARNOOSH NOURI, PH.D.
HDCN 6311 SEC 701	COUPLES THERAPY	6202	WEDNESDAYS	6:30PM - 9:20PM	NICOLE VAN NESS, PSY.D
HDCN 6316 SEC 001	FAMILY THERAPY I: INTERGENERATIONAL MODELS AND TREATMENT	5057	MONDAYS	1:00PM – 3:50PM	EDITA RUZGYTE, PH.D.
HDCN 6316 SEC 701	FAMILY THERAPY I: INTERGENERATIONAL MODELS AND TREATMENT	5058	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	ALZADA BENTON, PH.D.
HDCN 6316 SEC 702	FAMILY THERAPY I: INTERGENERATIONAL MODELS AND TREATMENT	5059	THURSDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	DENISE WALKER, PH.D.
HDCN 6317 SEC 001	AFFIRMATIVE THEORIES AND PRACTICES IN COUPLE & FAMILY COUNSELING (FAMILY THERAPY II) PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6316 FAMILY THERAPY I	5060	THURSDAYS	1:00 PM - 3:50 PM	DENISE WALKER, PH.D.
HDCN 6318 SEC 001	ETHICS I AND PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION	5061	FRIDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50 AM	TERI SARTOR, PH.D.
HDCN 6318 SEC 701	ETHICS I AND PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION	5062	MONDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	TIFFANY BORDONADA, PH.D.
HDCN 6319 SEC 001	ETHICS II AND MENTAL HEALTH PRE-REQ.: ETHICS I AND PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION	5064	WEDNESDAYS	1:00 PM - 3:50 PM	LISA BEIJAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6319 SEC 701	ETHICS II AND MENTAL HEALTH PRE-REQ.: ETHICS I AND PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION	5065	TUESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	LISA BEIJAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6320 SEC 001	LIFE SPAN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	5066	TUESDAYS	9:30 AM - 12:20 PM	NICOLE VAN NESS, PSY.D.
HDCN 6320 SEC 002	LIFE SPAN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	5067	THURSDAYS	9:30 AM - 12:20 PM	NATASHA JONES, PH.D.
HDCN 6320 SEC 701	LIFE SPAN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	5068	MONDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	LAKAIVIA TAYLOR- HOLMAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6320 SEC 702	LIFE SPAN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	6149	TUESDAYS	6:30PM – 9:20PM	DENISE WALKER, PH.D.
HDCN 6321 SEC 001	LIFESTYLE AND CAREER	5069	TUESDAYS	1:00 PM - 3:50 PM	ROZAN CHRISTIAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6321 SEC 701	LIFESTYLE AND CAREER	6150	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	ROBIN WASHINGTON- WHITE, PH.D.
HDCN 6330 SEC 001	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY: ADULT	5072	TUESDAYS	9:30 AM - 12:20 PM	CINDY ANDERTON, PH.D.
HDCN 6330 SEC 701	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY: ADULT	5074	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	CINDY ANDERTON, PH.D.
HDCN 6330 SEC 702	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY: ADULT	5073	THURSDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	ANGELA PEÑA, PH.D.
HDCN 6331 SEC 001	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY: CHILD	5075	MONDAYS	1:00PM – 3:50PM	MISTY SOLT, PH.D.
HDCN 6331 SEC 701	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY: CHILD	5076	TUESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	ANGELA PEÑA, PH.D.
HDCN 6331 SEC 702	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY: CHILD	6211	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	AMBER-LEA MARTINEZ, PH.D.

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HDCN 6338 SEC 001	THE SCIENCE OF INTERPERSONAL NEUROBIOLOGY & TRAUMA COUNSELING	5077	MONDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50AM	LA KAAVIA TAYLOR- HOLMAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6340 SEC 001	ASSESSMENT PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6349 RESEARCH DESIGN & STATS	5078	WEDNESDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50 AM	LIZ ENER, PH.D.
HDCN 6340 SEC 701	ASSESSMENT PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6349 RESEARCH DESIGN & STATS	5079	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	AUDREY ROBINSON, PH.D.
HDCN 6340 SEC 702	ASSESSMENT PRE-REQ.: HDCN 6349 RESEARCH DESIGN & STATS	5080	THURSDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	AUDREY ROBINSON, PH.D.
HDCN 6342 SEC 701	COGNITIVE, CAREER & EDUCATION ASSESSMENTS	5142	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	MARIO DE LA GARZA, PH.D.
HDCN 6343 SEC 001	CHILD COUNSELING: PLAY THERAPY	5081	TUESDAYS + 2/21/2025 8:30AM – 2:30PM	9:30 AM - 12:20 PM	MISTY SOLT, PH.D.
HDCN 6344 SEC 001	ART OF TRAUMA TREATMENT	5147	MONDAYS	9:00 AM - 11:50AM	KIM CAO LO
HDCN 6349 SEC 001	RESEARCH DESIGN & STATISTICS	5083	FRIDAYS	9:00AM – 11:50AM	JODIE ELDER, PH.D.
HDCN 6349 SEC 701	RESEARCH DESIGN & STATISTICS	5084	MONDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	RUBEN GOMEZ, PH.D.
HDCN 6349 SEC 702	RESEARCH DESIGN & STATISTICS	5082	WEDNESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	RUBEN GOMEZ, PH.D.
HDCN 6352 SEC 701	PSYCHOLOGY OF ADDICTIONS	5143	MONDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:20 PM	KATIE CHADWICK, PH.D.
HDCN 6395 SEC 001	SUPERVISED CLINICAL PRACTICUM	5088	TUESDAYS	9:30 AM - 12:30 PM	EDITA RUZGYTE, PH.D.
HDCN 6395 SEC 002	SUPERVISED CLINICAL PRACTICUM	5089	WEDNESDAYS	1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	TARA GODHWANI, PH.D.
HDCN 6395 SEC 003	SUPERVISED CLINICAL PRACTICUM	5090	THURSDAYS	1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	TARA GODHWANI, PH.D.
HDCN 6395 SEC 701	SUPERVISED CLINICAL PRACTICUM	5092	TUESDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	RAKIMA PARSON, PH.D.
HDCN 6395 SEC 702	SUPERVISED CLINICAL PRACTICUM	5144	THURSDAYS	6:30 PM - 9:30 PM	LISA BEIJAN, PH.D.
HDCN 6398 SEC 001	INTERNSHIP I	5093	MANDATORY MEETINGS ON EVERY OTHER TUESDAY	9:05 AM - 12:20 PM	BRANDY SCHUMANN, PH.D.
HDCN 6398 SEC 701	INTERNSHIP I	5094	MANDATORY MEETINGS ON EVERY OTHER TUESDAY	6:30 PM - 9:45 PM	TRACY McCLUNG, PH.D.
HDCN 6398 SEC 702	INTERNSHIP I	5095	MANDATORY MEETINGS ON EVERY OTHER THURSDAY	6:30 PM - 9:45 PM	JEN BALCH, PH.D.
HDCN 6399 SEC 001	INTERNSHIP II	5096	MANDATORY MEETINGS ON EVERY OTHER TUESDAY	9:05 AM - 12:20 PM	BRANDY SCHUMANN, PH.D.
HDCN 6399 SEC 002	INTERNSHIP II	6514	MANDATORY MEETINGS ON EVERY OTHER THURSDAY	9:05 AM - 12:20 PM	FARNOOSH NOURI, PH.D.
HDCN 6399 SEC 701	INTERNSHIP II	5097	MANDATORY MEETINGS ON EVERY OTHER TUESDAY	6:30 PM - 9:45 PM	TRACY McCLUNG, PH.D.
HDCN 6399 SEC 702	INTERNSHIP II	5145	MANDATORY MEETINGS ON EVERY OTHER THURSDAY	6:30 PM - 9:45 PM	JEN BALCH, PH.D.
WEEKEND CLASSES – As Described					
HDCN 6314 SEC 701	SEXUAL COUNSELING	5056	TWO WEEKENDS*	1/30-2/1: 4/10-12	EDITA RUZGYTE, PH.D.

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HDCN 6318 SEC 702	ETHICS I AND PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION	5063	TWO WEEKENDS*	2/27-3/1; 4/24-26	TIFFANY BORDONADA, PH.D.
HDCN 6321 SEC 702	LIFESTYLE & CAREER DEVELOPMENT	5070	TWO WEEKENDS*	2/13-15; 4/17-19	GRETA DAVIS, PH.D.
HDCN 6323 SEC 701	PRE/ADOLESCENT COUNSELING: PLAY THERAPY	5071	THREE WEEKENDS*	1/31-2/1; 3/28-29; 4/25-26	BRANDY SCHUMANN, PH.D.
HDCN 6352 SEC 702	PSYCHOLOGY OF ADDICTIONS	5085	TWO WEEKENDS*	2/20-22; 3/13-15	DENISE WALKER, PH.D.
HDCN 6353 SEC 701	TREATMENT OF ADDICTIONS	5086	TWO WEEKENDS*	2/27-3/1; 5/1-3	KATIE CHADWICK, PH.D.
HDCN 6355 SEC 701	AFFIRMATIVE THERAPY W/LGBTQ+ INDIVIDUALS: ADVOCACY ACROSS THE LIFE SPAN	5087	TWO WEEKENDS*	2/6-8; 3/6-8	CINDY ANDERTON, PH.D.

* FRIDAYS 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM; SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM

- ❖ Students will not be able to register if they have not provided updated proof of Liability Insurance or Protection of Minors Certificate. **Make sure the counseling office has your updated proof of coverage and Certificate of Completion for your Protection of Minors so that your hold can be removed before registration begins. Students whose liability insurance expires during the registration period and have not submitted their renewed insurance to the Counseling office, will have a hold placed on their account.**

❖ **PLEASE CHECK THE BURSAR'S WEBSITE FOR PAYMENT DUE DATE (www.smu.edu/bursar).**

- ❖ Counseling classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. To ensure you get the class you want, register **EARLY**. Classes are generally limited to a maximum of 12-16; however, some classes are limited to a smaller class size. **Do not contact an instructor or advisor to ask permission** to be added to a full class. Students should be using the waitlist system through my.smu. Information for using the waitlist system can be found in the links below.

<https://www.smu.edu/oit/services/mysmu/student-essentials/enroll> - scroll to the bottom.

<https://www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/registrar/Enrollment/WaitlistGuidelines> - for FAQ's about the waitlist.

Practicum and Internship students will be enrolled in their respective Practicum and Internship classes by the Program Specialist once class lists are received from Dr. Ruzgyte and Dr. Schumann.

Make sure to order your SMU ID card, if you have not already done so.

Are you checking your SMU email, CANVAS and our website? Many things you call about are answered there. Log in using your SMU ID number and password.

<https://www.smu.edu/oit/services/student-services>

www.smu.edu/mastercounseling.

Our Academic Calendars for the current Academic Year with term dates, payment due dates, holidays, Drop and Withdrawal Policies, etc. can be found at www.smu.edu/mastercounseling.

REMEMBER: The Texas Immunization Law has been revised and you may need to provide proof that you have had the Bacterial Meningitis Vaccination before you can enroll for classes if you're 22 years of age or younger. Go to <https://sites.smu.edu/des/meningitis/> for details. If you are one of the students required to provide proof of immunization and you don't, a hold will be placed on your account blocking your enrollment.

*****Registration and Payment Instructions*****

STUDENTS WITH 36 HOURS OR MORE AT THE END OF FALL TERM: Registration for Spring Term 2026 opens at **6:00 a.m., Monday, November 3rd** and ends on November 21st. Instructions 1 through 10 below explain how to register online and they apply to ALL students.

STUDENTS WITH LESS THAN 36 HOURS AT THE END OF FALL TERM: Registration for Spring Term 2025 opens at **6:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 4th** and ends on November 21st. Instructions 1 through 10 below explain how to register online and they apply to ALL students.

NEW STUDENTS: Registration for Spring Term 2026 opens at Midnight, Saturday, November 22nd.

Instructions 1 through 10 below explain how to register online and they apply to ALL students.

1. Go to [my.SMU](https://my.smu.edu) enter your ID number and password
2. The term is SPRING 1262.
3. Use the **Class Number** (the numbers in **RED** above in the middle column) - **NOT** the Course/Catalog number -
4. Students using financial aid must contact the Financial Aid office.
5. The **results page** will let you know whether your course enrollment was successful.
6. If you get a message of “errors found,” click on that message to read the specific problem. If you cannot resolve the error(s), please contact help@smu.edu. **Include your SMU ID number.**
7. **Familiarize yourself with the Program Calendar and all add/drop deadline dates and refund policies.**
8. **Familiarize yourself with how the waitlist system on my.smu works before registration by using the following links:**
<https://www.smu.edu/oit/services/mysmu/student-essentials/enroll>
<https://www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/registrar/Enrollment/WaitlistGuidelines> for FAQ's about the waitlist.
9. Most student questions regarding Academics, Financials, Health Center, Enrollment and navigating my.SMU can be found at the following links:
<https://www.smu.edu/oit/services/mysmu/student-essentials>
10. If you have difficulty with registration, please contact the Counseling program for assistance at counselingmaster@smu.edu. **Include your SMU ID number in all your correspondence.**

ENROLLMENT GUIDANCE FOR NEW STUDENTS:

Welcome New First Term Counseling Graduate Students!

Following is some information to help you with your first registration:

- If you are a new student, you are required to take the following courses during your first term in the program:
 - 1) Basic Clinical Methods
 - 2) Life Span Development
- If you can only take one course in the first term, you must enroll in Basic Clinical Methods (please note, you will not be eligible for financial aid if you take only one course).
- If you are planning on taking 3 classes (9 credit hours), COUNSELING THEORIES is highly recommended to take in your first semester. RESEARCH DESIGN, FAMILY THERAPY I and ETHICS I are recommended to be taken as close to the start of the program as possible. Other classes can be taken at any time throughout the program (unless there is a pre-req). Good ones to take are: ADULT PSYCHOPATHOLOGY, DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, GROUP or any of your ELECTIVES.

- **ALL students entering the Counseling Program in the SPRING 2026 semester are required to attend a Group Advising /Orientation Meeting on Monday, January 12th from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm.** At this meeting, we will review relevant policies, procedures, curriculum, and support resources. Watch for future emails regarding the location of this meeting. **If you do not attend this meeting, you will not be able to register for the following semester so please make the necessary arrangements to attend.**

Please contact your advisor or the Counseling program at 214-768-5678 with any questions.

CLASS SCHEDULES ARE POSTED ONLINE AT WWW.SMU.EDU/MASTERCOUNSELING

The faculty and staff look forward to seeing you in class!

