



Counselling Pathways

If you want to pursue one of the many career opportunities in the **human services profession**, add counselling to your skillset. You will strengthen your opportunities in working with the community, or progress to registration as a counsellor.

Diploma of Human Services and Development
1 year or part-time equivalent

Bachelor of Human Services (Counselling)
3 years or part-time equivalent

Bachelor of Human Services (Honours) (Counselling)
4 years or part-time equivalent

Apply for Australian Counselling Association (ACA) membership*

If you want to pursue a career as a **Registered Counsellor** or want to upskill to an advanced level in a specialist counselling area, choose this path.

Graduate Certificate of Counselling
1 year part-time

Graduate Diploma of Counselling
1 year or part-time equivalent

Apply for Australian Counselling Association (ACA) membership*

Master of Counselling
2 years or part-time equivalent

Apply for Psychotherapy & Counselling Federation of Australia (PACFA) membership or ACA membership if not previously acquired

If you want to combine **hands on counselling experience with a psychology degree**, this combination will strengthen your job opportunities.

Bachelor of Science (Counselling)
PLUS
A second major in psychology
3 years or part-time equivalent

Use your combined degree to pursue a career in psychology (see How to become a Psychologist)

If you are a Registered Counsellor, Psychologist or Social Worker, choose this path if you want to **upskill in your profession**.

Master of Counselling (Advanced Practice)
2 years or part-time equivalent

Have a passion for research?

Our **Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Science (Research)(Counselling)** will give you the skills and opportunities to further your career in counselling.

*Students are only eligible to apply if they have completed the required placement component

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