Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary serves the church by biblically educating God-called men and women to be and make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Professional Counseling Concentration
Curriculum

30020 Professional Doctoral Colloquium
30060 Integrating Christian Faith and Practice
10266 Counselor Supervision & Health*
10268 Practice Building*
10274 Ad. Marriage & Family Therapy*
10276 Ad. Diagnosis & Treatment of Addiction Disorders*
10281 Internship Hours (6 hours)*
30260 Advanced Cognitive-Behavioral Treatment
30262 Advanced Biological Basis of Behavior
30270 Advanced Diagnosis and Treatment Planning
30272 Advanced Psychotherapy and Treatment
30090 Dissertation Preparation
30990 Ministry Project Dissertation

*designated extra courses are charged at the graduate rate, by the credit hour, required for licensure

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Frequently Asked Questions

What educational requirement must I meet to enter the program?
The basic requirements are a Master’s Degree in Counseling and a core theological preparation. This theological core includes 26 hours of Bible, Theology, Evangelism, and History. You are invited to submit your transcript to the doctoral office (official or unofficial) for review and specifics in this regard.

What if I have a Master’s in Counseling but I do not have any theological preparation?
You may take up to twelve hours of counseling courses as a non-degree seeking student and take the needed theology classes. MBTS offers these classes online. When you complete the theology classes, you may apply as a degree-seeking student. All counseling classes taken will count towards the DMin in Professional Counseling.

What if I am uninterested in licensure?
You are welcome to complete any four counseling courses along with a standard Doctor of Ministry course load. Students would qualify for this “Care and Counseling” option with a MDIV or MACO graduate degree. There would not be an additional requirement of 18 hours.

Do I need to take classes on campus?
Yes. There are three required campus classes. These one-week 4-hour courses require pre and post course work.

How do I complete the counseling courses?
Many of the classes are online using Blackboard as the teaching modality. Other courses are in the Directed Study Format. The counseling courses do not require campus time.