Lakeland College’s master of arts in counseling (M.A.C.) degree is a 48-semester-hour professional graduate training program. The M.A.C. program is dedicated to preparing students for one of three professional counseling areas: community counseling, higher education counseling or school counseling. The M.A.C. program is designed with the working professional in mind and offers opportunities for intellectual, moral and spiritual growth. Non-degree-seeking status is available.

Courses are available in 12-week semesters—in the classroom, BlendEd® and/or online. Instructors are practicing professionals—many holding terminal degrees—who blend experiential learning with in-class instruction. Practicums and internships afford ample time for observation and client contact. The M.A.C. program with a community counseling emphasis meets the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services requirements for a Wisconsin Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC). The M.A.C. program with a school counseling emphasis is approved by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and is approved for licensure and certification as a Wisconsin school counselor.

Admission Requirements
To be considered for admission into the master of arts in counseling program, the following are required:

- An application for admission, including a $50 application fee
- All previous official transcripts, including those indicating the completion of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution
- A cumulative grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale
- Completion of an undergraduate degree in the behavioral sciences, or 9 undergraduate semester hours in courses related to human services or behavioral science with grades of “B-” or above in each of the courses
- Two letters of recommendation indicating applicant’s potential for academic and personal social success at the graduate level
- A two- to three-page reflection paper
- A current resume
- Onsite formal interview

Note: International students are required to follow additional steps. See admission advisor for more information.

Upon being admitted, and with approval of the M.A.C. program director, up to 9 graduate semester hours of coursework relevant to the M.A.C. curriculum may be accepted in transfer from regionally accredited institutions of higher education. Transfer courses must have been taken within 10 years prior to application.

Students with an undergraduate GPA above 2.5 but less than 2.75 may be accepted on a probationary basis. Please refer to the Evening, Weekend and Online Catalog for more information on probationary admission.

For more information, visit lakeland.edu/adult.
REQUIRED CORE COURSEWORK (48 semester hours)

- CN 710 Introduction to Counseling & Ethics
- CN 714 Multiculturalism & the Practice of Counseling
- CN 716 Lifespan Development & Counseling: An Integration
- CN 718 Psychopathology
- CN 724 Counseling Methods & Ethics
- CN 726 Counseling Theories
- CN 728 Psychometrics & Assessment
- CN 734 Research Methods & Program Evaluation
- CN 736 Counseling Children & Adolescents
- CN 738 Group Therapy
- CN 739 Career Counseling & Development
- CN 744 Crisis Intervention & Conflict Resolution

Complete one of the following areas of emphasis:

**School Counseling Emphasis**
*(Prepares students for DPI certification as a PK-12 school counselor)*
- CN 765 Seminar: Structure and Organization of School Counseling
- CN 766 Practicum (125 clock hours)
- CN 767 Internship I (300 clock hours)
- CN 768 Internship II (300 clock hours)

**Community Counseling Emphasis**
*(Meets Wisconsin state credential requirements for a professional counselor license)*
- CN 775 Seminar: Structure and Organization of Community Counseling
- CN 776 Practicum (125 clock hours)
- CN 777 Internship I (300 clock hours)
- CN 778 Internship II (300 clock hours)

**Higher Education Counseling Emphasis**
- CN 785 Seminar: Structure and Organization of Higher Education Counseling
- CN 786 Practicum (125 clock hours)
- CN 787 Internship I (300 clock hours)
- CN 788 Internship II (300 clock hours)

**ELECTIVE COURSEWORK**
- CN 752 Psychopharmacology

**EARN GRADUATE CREDITS AS A NON-DEGREE-SEEKING STUDENT**
The M.A.C. program also offers a number of graduate courses that will help you meet your professional development or continued licensing goals. For more information on registering for a course or courses as a non-degree-seeking student, please contact an admission advisor at a Lakeland location near you.