CROWN COLLEGE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

MASTER OF ARTS IN PASTORAL COUNSELING



FORMAT
Online

TOTAL CREDITS
36

PROJECTED TIME TO COMPLETION
1-2 years

COST PER CREDIT HOUR
$685

COUNSEL WITH WISDOM. SERVE WITH CONFIDENCE.

Designed for ministry leaders and professionals, Crown College's M.A. in Pastoral Counseling provides compassionately strong and spiritually focused education that is immediately applicable in your ministry and community.

This degree enables you to provide Christ-centered care for those facing real-life challenges in today's world.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Pastors and ministry leaders seeking stronger counseling skills
- Church staff and volunteers expanding their care and support roles
- Individuals committed to integrating faith with counseling

**This degree does not lead to state licensure.*

WHY PURSUE AN M.A. IN PASTORAL COUNSELING?

Bring hope, healing, and biblical care to people who need it most.

- Gain a Christ-centered approach to counseling and spiritual care
- Craft skills for grief, trauma, addiction, and mental health issues
- Integrate practices of theology, psychology, and ministry

COURSES WITHIN THE PROGRAM

- Pastoral Counseling
- Conflict Resolution & Mediation
- Marriage and Family Therapy
- Trauma-Informed Counseling

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Julie Zell

MA Pastoral Counseling Graduate

This degree gave me more spiritual depth and skills to journey with others. I wish I had earned this degree 35 years ago when I started out in ministry as a missionary and pastor's wife.

TAKE THE NEXT BOLD STEP IN YOUR CALLING

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WHY AN ONLINE MASTER'S AT CROWN COLLEGE?

Graduate education in pastoral counseling is more than academics — it's a journey that deepens your calling to care with Christ-like compassion.

Accessible, Affordable, and Flexible

Crown understands today's demands of ministry and family life. Our programs are structured so you don't have to choose between your calling and your education — you can grow in both.

Faculty Expertise and Personal Support

Our faculty bring excellent scholarship and real-world ministry experience. They deeply invest in your journey. You are also provided with an academic advisor who walks alongside you.

Focused Counseling Skills You Can Use Now

Receive targeted training and counseling tools you can apply immediately. Strengthen your ability to listen well, respond biblically, and offer compassionate guidance to people facing difficult scenarios.

Accredited and Trusted Ministry Preparation

Educating online graduates for over twenty years, Crown's Graduate School of Ministry is accredited by the **Association of Theological Schools (ATS) and The Higher Learning Commission (HLC)**, ensuring academic excellence and robust theological preparation.

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