

Comprehensive Examination

A series of written exams is administered to assess the student’s competency and understanding of the program’s relevant material.

Internship

Total of 400 hours required

Faculty

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| Aier, Akumsugla, EdD | Kirwan, William, PhD |
| Butts, Randy, PhD | Lee, Libertine, EdD |
| Cimene, Francis T., PhD | Penaso, Anthony, PhD |
| Edwards, Keith, PhD | Whitman, Mitchell, PhD |
| Hibma, Timothy, MS | |
| Yang, Irene EdD | |

Admission Requirements

- Master's degree from an accredited institution with at least 15 units of counseling, 12 units in Biblical / theological studies, and 6 units of coursework in research methods and statistics
- Official Transcript of Record from previous academic institution
- Three (3) character references
- Brief essay on “calling” to counseling
- TOEFL score of 550 if English was not medium of previous education

Financial Information (subject to change)

- Application fee (nonrefundable).....US\$50
- Registration fee (per trimester).....US\$35
- Tuition fee (per unit) US\$105
- Library fee (per trimester) US\$20
- Administration fee (per trimester) US\$45

- Residency Fee (per trimester) US\$35
- Student Visa (annual)..... approx. US\$300
- Book Expenses (per module) approx.US\$100
- Comprehensive Exam Fee.....US\$50
- Dissertation Panel FeeUS\$800

Total program cost, including tuition, books, and most fees and expenses, is approximately \$10,500. Fees may be paid in either Philippine pesos or U.S. dollars. Students are encouraged to find sponsors to cover program costs and living expenses. Academic scholarships based on financial need are available to eligible students.



For information about the program:
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Program location:
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Ph.D. in CLINICAL CHRISTIAN COUNSELING Biblical Seminary of the Philippines

Asia Graduate School of Theology - Philippines



Dr. William Kirwan, DMin, PhD
Program Director
PhD Clinical Christian Counseling



- Evangelical in its theoretical perspective
- Integrating psychological orientation with theological and sociological perspectives
- Clinically focused, intensive skill training
- Integrating life and ministry experiences
- Responsive to the need for a contextualized and research-based approach to emotional and psychological needs
- Up-to-date, evidence-based instruction in the science of psychology

Mission and Vision

The Narramore Christian Foundation founded and supports the doctoral program in Southeast Asia, an area of the world underserved by mental health practitioners, especially those who view emotional disorders from a Christian perspective.



Our mission is to provide psychological understanding, training, and theological integration in an Asian context with the following emphases:

1. **Clinical:** We strive to develop skilled, compassionate, and competent practitioners of counseling and psychotherapy.
2. **Instructional:** We prepare well-informed instructors and teachers who articulate psycho-spiritual principles of Christian emotional health.
3. **Integration:** We develop Christian counselors who personally exemplify Christ-like character and emotional maturity in their endeavor to integrate Biblical truths with the principles of true psychological research and knowledge.
4. **Research:** We train Christian counselors who contribute original research and written resources to the field.

As the only **clinical** Christian counseling doctoral program in Southeast Asia, our vision is to see our

graduates use their knowledge and deep understanding of psychotherapy to minister in a variety of modalities to suffering and broken people.

Structure & Credits

- Integration of Theology & Psychology (6)
- Lifespan and Development (3)
- Psychodynamic Therapy and Supervision (9)
- Couple Therapy (3)
- Child & Adolescent Therapy (3)
- Personality Disorders (6)
- Psychological Testing (3)
- Brief Psychodynamic Psychotherapy (3)
- Advanced Psychodynamic Psychotherapy (3)
- Pharmacology and Clinical Neurology (3)
- Group Process and Psychotherapy (4)
- Sexual Issues and Therapy (3)
- Social Psychology (3)

Dissertation Sequence

- Research Methods
- Applied Qualitative Research (2)
- Applied Quantitative Research (2)
- Dissertation Seminar
- Dissertation (12)

The dissertation represents the culmination of studies. It involves original research relevant to the student's area of interest and must demonstrate scholarly theological reflection, thoughtful contextual analysis, and social science research methodology.

Personal Therapy

Minimum of 40 hours required. The Program Director will assign an individual therapist for each student.