

# Graduate Diploma in Counselling Theory and Practice

Course code: HGCP

## Course Requirements

To attain the Graduate Diploma in Counselling Theory and Practice, students will be required to complete 96 credit points consisting of:

- 96 credit points of Core studies

Students are required to enrol in all units for semester 1 and 2, and are not permitted to enrol in more than 48 credit points per semester as a full-time load.

## Credit Points

A credit point is used to measure the study load for a unit. A standard unit consists of 12 credit points, with each completed unit's credit points adding up to meet your required total of credit points to complete your course.

## Further Information

Unit and course information is available from the University course search site at <http://vu.edu.au/course-search> or go to <https://askvu.vu.edu.au> or Phone VUHQ on 03 9919 6100

## Campus

Online Real Time (ORT)

## College

College of Sport, Health and Engineering

## Study Mode

Full Time or Part Time

## Duration

1 year Full Time or Part Time equivalent

## Fee Type

For information on course fees, refer to <http://vu.edu.au/fees>

## Application Method

VTAC - <https://vtac.edu.au>  
Direct Application - <https://gotovu.custhelp.com/app/landing>

## Timetable

[vu.edu.au/timetables](http://vu.edu.au/timetables)

## Course Chair

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## Course Advice

AskCUA - <https://askvu.vu.edu.au/app/askcua>

## Year 1

| Unit Code | Unit Title  | Unit Type | Sem | Credit Points | Campus | Pre-Requisites |
|-----------|---|-----------|-----|---------------|--------|----------------|
| APT6016   | Foundations of Counselling                          | Core      | 1B1 | 12            | ORT    |                |
| APT6017   | Counselling Theories and Interventions              | Core      | 1B2 | 12            | ORT    |                |
| APT6018   | Counselling Across the Lifespan                     | Core      | 1B3 | 12            | ORT    |                |
| APT6019   | Foundations of Child and Adolescent Counselling     | Core      | 1B4 | 12            | ORT    |                |
| APT5006   | Trauma-Informed Counselling                         | Core      | 2B1 | 12            | ORT    |                |
| APT6021   | Supervision and Reflection Practice for Counsellors | Core      | 2B2 | 12            | ORT    |                |
| APT6020   | Ethics and Professional Practice for Counsellors    | Core      | 2B3 | 12            | ORT    |                |
| APT6023   | Working with Diversity in Counselling               | Core      | 2B4 | 12            | ORT    |                |

## Prerequisites

A number of units within the degree have 'prerequisites'. These prerequisites must be met before enrolment in the unit is permitted. Generally these prerequisites require the successful completion of a unit or units taken at an earlier stage in the course. Students should pay particular attention to these prerequisite requirements as failure to meet these can seriously hinder progression through the course.

## Core

A unit that must be completed