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Board of Behavioral Sciences

1625 North Market Blvd, Suite S-200

Sacramento, CA 95834

Re: Verification of Additional Coursework Requirements — Compliance with July 1, 2023
Regulatory Updates

Dear Board Staff Member:

Please accept this letter as formal confirmation that students who have graduated from the Department of Counseling at California State University, Fullerton (CSUF) have completed the additional coursework required by the Board of Behavioral Sciences pursuant to the updated regulations effective July 1, 2023. All coursework was completed as an integral part of the graduate degree program qualifying students for LPCC and LMFT licensure.

The Department of Counseling at CSUF holds dual accreditation through the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) and the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), satisfying the BBS provider requirements for additional coursework taken on or after July 1, 2023. All courses listed below are graduate-level offerings completed within an accredited program of study.

Additional Coursework Requirements for LPCC/LMFT Application

The following coursework was completed by program graduates as part of their qualifying degree. Telehealth training has been fully embedded in the curriculum beginning August 2021.

Child Abuse Assessment and Reporting (7 hours)

- COUN 522 (1–2 hours)
- COUN 524 (seven-hour certificate)
- COUN 526 (3 hours)

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Human Sexuality (10 hours)

Coursework includes the study of human sexuality, gender identity, and gender dysphoria, satisfying the updated content requirements for courses taken on or after July 1, 2023 (16 CCR §§1807, 1807.2).

- COUN 518 (3 hours)
- COUN 562 (10 hours)
- COUN 523 (3 hours) — gender identity and gender dysphoria

Alcoholism and Chemical Substance Abuse and Dependency (15 hours; must be taken in qualifying degree program)

Coursework covers both substance abuse and substance dependency, satisfying the updated content requirements for courses taken on or after July 1, 2023 (16 CCR §§1807, 1807.2).

- COUN 535 (45 hours)

Spousal/Partner Abuse Detection and Intervention

15 hours for those who entered a qualifying degree program on or after 1/1/2004; course may be any length for those who entered between 1/1/1995 and 12/31/2003; must be taken in qualifying degree program.

- COUN 522
- COUN 526
- COUN 527
- COUN 562

Psychological Testing (2 semester units or 3 quarter units)

Required only for those who entered a qualifying degree program on or after 1/1/2001.

- COUN 560 (45 hours)

Psychopharmacology (2 semester units or 3 quarter units)

Required only for those who entered a qualifying degree program on or after 1/1/2001.

- COUN 525 (45 hours)

California Law and Professional Ethics (2 semester units or 3 quarter units)

- COUN 526 (3 semester units)

Aging and Long-Term Care (10 hours)

Required for those who entered a qualifying degree program on or after 1/1/2004; not a pre-licensure requirement for all others.

- COUN 518 (10 hours)
- COUN 523 (3 hours)

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Suicide Assessment, Intervention, and Prevention (6 hours)

- COUN 511 (2 hours)
- COUN 522 (3 hours)
- COUN 526 (3–6 hours)
- COUN 535 (3 hours)
- COUN 538 (10 hours)

Tele-Mental Health and Tele-Supervision (6 hours tele-mental health; 1 hour tele-supervision)

- COUN 511 (3 hours tele-mental health practice)
- COUN 524 (1 hour tele-mental health lecture)
- COUN 526 (1 hour tele-mental health and 1 hour tele-supervision; both lecture)
- COUN 530 (0.5 hours tele-mental health lecture; some students may be conducting tele-mental health or tele-supervision)
- COUN 584 (0.5 hours tele-mental health lecture; some students may be conducting tele-mental health or tele-supervision)

Recovery-Oriented Care

The Department of Counseling provides comprehensive, graduate-level instruction in recovery-oriented care, with primary delivery through COUN 535 (Addictions Counseling). This course employs the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) patient placement criteria as a foundational assessment framework, supporting individualized, multi-pathway approaches to recovery. Curriculum content integrates harm reduction models alongside 12-step recovery frameworks, grounding students in both accessible, community-based care and the humanistic values that undergird person-centered practice. Students engage directly with individuals in recovery through guest presentations, providing firsthand exposure to the lived experience of mental health consumers and reinforcing the program's commitment to recovery-affirming, consumer-centered care.

- COUN 500
- COUN 502
- COUN 522
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- COUN 584
- COUN 590

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Meet with Consumers

Students are provided multiple structured opportunities throughout the program to engage directly with consumers of mental health services. These include guest presentations by individuals with lived experience in mental health and recovery, in-class case discussions grounded in consumer perspectives, and supervised field-based practicum placements in community mental health, older adult services, and related settings where students work directly with clients under licensed supervision.

- COUN 500
- COUN 502
- COUN 518
- COUN 522
- COUN 525
- COUN 535
- COUN 590

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding the information provided in this letter. I can be reached by email at dhart@fullerton.edu.

Sincerely,

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