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State Licensure Information: Rhode Island

Licensing Board: [Rhode Island Board Mental Health Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists](#)

Accreditation Information: Requires accredited education institution.

The University of Massachusetts Global is regionally accredited under the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)

Degree Program total unit requirement: A minimum of 60

Course equivalency: One (1) course is equal to three (3) semester credits (units)

Courses or course work required:

1. 2 courses covering Theoretical Foundations of Marriage and Family Therapy
2. 6 courses covering Clinical Knowledge
3. 1 course covering Human Development
4. 1 course covering Research Methods or Statistics
5. 1 course covering Professional Issues and Ethics
6. 1 course covering a Graduate Elective

Courses required compared to UMass Global courses offered:

Rhode Island Course Work	UMass Global Equivalency
Theoretical Foundations of Marriage and Family Therapy	PSYU 502 – History and Foundations of Therapeutic Practices
	PSYU 538 – Assessment and Treatment of Sexual Disorders
Clinical Knowledge	PSYU 512 – Family Therapy Theories and Techniques: A Modern Emphasis
	PSYU 526 – Family Therapy Theories and Techniques: A Postmodern Emphasis
	PSYU 514 – Couples Therapy
	PSYU 534 – Clinical Assessment
	PSYU 510 - Psychopathology and Diagnosis
	PSYU 524 – Clinical Issues in Human Diversity
Human Development	PSYU 522 – Individual and Family Development
Research	PSYU 528 - Research and Bibliographic Methods
Professional Ethics	PSYU 506 - Ethics and Professional Issues
Graduate Elective	Any of the remaining courses

Practicum Requirements:

In compliance with the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) standards, the University practicum requirements are standardized across all applicable states. These requirements meet or exceed your specific state guidelines for practicum. For more details regarding practicum, please contact the Clinical Support Team at mftpcclinical@umassglobal.edu.

Total Clinical Hours	Direct Client Contact Hours	Supervision Hours	Length of Practicum
600 total Hours	500 total hours	100 total hours	A minimum of 12 months
500 direct client contact hours 100 supervision hours	250 of the total direct client contact hours must be with couple and family client units. The remaining 250 hours may be individual or relational hours.	50 hours must be observable (audio and video recording as well as live supervision)	

The state of Rhode Island requires students to complete a minimum of twelve (12) semester credit hours or eighteen (18) quarter hours of supervised practicum. UMass Global only has 9 semester credits of practicum. Students would need to take additional practicum courses beyond the 12 months.