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Master of Science Degree in Clinical Psychopharmacology

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Beyond the Classroom
Overview
The master's program in clinical psychopharmacology is designed to enhance the knowledge base recommended by the American Psychological Association for psychologists working in medical settings, private practice, or other settings where the interaction with the treating physician and other health care practitioners is critical to improving patient care.

Training Goals
- expand the knowledge base in biopsychology, pharmacology, and psychopharmacology
- ensure a more complex understanding of how medical conditions interact with psychological conditions
- develop a more sophisticated understanding of a client's medication, potential side effects, and contraindications
- develop consultation skills for work with physicians and other health care providers

Program Delivery
The program is offered in a format accessible to psychologists from around the nation.

Classes are scheduled bimonthly, meeting for six consecutive days (Thursday–Tuesday). Web course tools (WebCT) are used to enhance learning between class sessions.

“Learning how the brain works, how we think neurotransmitters work, learning the ways that experience, as well as medication, alters the structure of the brain is more interesting and relevant precisely because it follows years of clinical experience. And it will continue to be fascinating as psychologists produce the research that increases the knowledge.”

—Sally Horwatt, Ph.D., Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Virginia
Clinical Psychopharmacology

Faculty
Our faculty members are drawn from Nova Southeastern University's colleges of psychology, pharmacy, and medical sciences and are supplemented by adjunct faculty members with special expertise.

Admissions Information
The program begins each fall semester. The application deadline is August 1. Late applicants will be considered on a seat-available basis. Applications from advanced doctoral students in psychology may be considered.

Curriculum
The master of science in clinical psychopharmacology requires 33 semester hours, including two practicums.
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Neuroanatomy/Neuropathology
- Neurophysiology
- Neurochemistry
- Introduction to Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry
- Pathophysiology
- General Pharmacology
- Clinical Psychopharmacology
- Developmental Psychopharmacology
- Chemical Dependency and Pain Management
- Introduction to Physical Assessment and Laboratory Exams
- Professional, Ethical, and Legal Issues
- Psychotherapy/Pharmacotherapy Interactions
- Computer-Based Practice Aids
- Pharmacoepidemiology
- Practicum I: Psychopharmacology
- Practicum II: Psychopharmacology
Yes, please send me an application and more information on the master of science degree in clinical psychopharmacology program.

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The center also offers master's degree programs in mental health counseling and school guidance and counseling and a specialist program in school psychology.

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"I think NSU's program is by far the very best. I am understanding things I have never understood before. I am glad I took these courses at NSU and it was a personal education rather than dealing with courses over the computer."

—Chuck Gerardi, Ph.D., Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Florida

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