# **MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY**

## **Master of Science**



Central's MS in Marriage & Family Therapy prepares you to assist individuals, couples, and families in a wide variety of settings and roles. The program will prepare you to become a therapist who is well-grounded in systems theory and clinical techniques. Throughout the program you will have ongoing training and supervision that will allow you to effectively, professionally, and ethically serve as an agent of intervention and change.

## **Program Features**

- · Starts every August
- 60-credit program
- · Attend full-time
- Flexible class schedule helpful for working adults
- Practicum and internship opportunities
- Access to state-of-the-art clinical counseling laboratory
- · Financial aid is available



Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage & Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) of the American Association for Marriage & Family Therapy (AAMFT).



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### **What You'll Gain**

- Understanding of the Metaframeworks paradigm as a valued systemic basis for teaching and practicing marriage and family therapy
- Ability to promote culturally informed professional techniques and respectful systemic mental health practices
- Knowledge in the major schools of marriage and family therapy
- Proficiency in the practices of systemically oriented therapy approaches to human problems in a variety of settings
- Professional identity as a marriage and family therapist
- Knowledge of marriage and family therapy through relevant research and ongoing professional enrichment
- Clear sense of yourself as an interventionist in human problems

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### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Employment of marriage and family therapists is projected to grow 16% from 2020 to 2030, much faster than the average for all occupations.

Source: bls.gov

# **Applying for Admission**

For consideration, applicants must submit the following:

- A completed online application with supplemental materials (ccsu.edu/apply):
  - Two letters of recommendation from individuals who know your academic competence, character, or professional work. Note: Personal references will not be accepted.
  - Essay describing your:
    - Personal and professional experience and reasons that influenced you to pursue the field of Marriage and Family Therapy
    - Personal characteristics you believe will contribute to your success in the Central Marriage and Family Therapy program as well as your success as a Marriage and Family Therapist after graduation
    - Definition of family
    - Personal and/or professional experiences you have had with people from diverse cultural backgrounds
  - A current resume
- 2. Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts from a regionally accredited institution of higher education (GPA of 2.70 or higher)
- 3. Qualified applicants will be invited for an interview

Official transcripts may be sent directly to the Graduate Recruitment & Admissions Office:

**By Mail:** Central Connecticut State University

Graduate Recruitment & Admissions Office

1615 Stanley Street Davidson Hall 116 New Britain, CT 06050

By Email: graduateadmissions@ccsu.edu

**NOTE:** Because admission to the Master of Science in Marriage & Family Therapy is a highly competitive process, meeting the minimum graduate and program specific application criteria and requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

### **ABOUT CENTRAL:**

Central Connecticut State University is the largest university within the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system. Founded in 1849, Central is also the state's oldest publicly funded university. Our campus is located in New Britain, Connecticut. Central is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

