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## Graduate Studies Couple and Family Therapy: MSc

### What our graduates say

*"I've gained the knowledge and experience that allows me to be so well-respected in the field, even as a "new" graduate!"*

*"The faculty was wonderful, the staff was welcoming, and the amount of clinical experience students gain in the program is far above any other clinical program in Canada!"*

*"A unique and challenging experience that not only helped to develop my clinical skills but my theoretical understandings as well."*

The Couple and Family Therapy program is one of four graduate programs offered by the Department of Family Relations and Applied Nutrition. The Department is unique within the University of Guelph as an interdisciplinary academic unit focused on integrating research and practice. At a time when universities are called to play an ever increasing role in addressing concrete social problems, we pride ourselves in preparing students to work in practical settings with a combination of theory, empirical knowledge and professional skills.

The Couple and Family Therapy program is one of two academic programs in Canada accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT). This is a two-year, continuous 24-month, program combining academic courses, research, and clinical training.

### General Admission Requirements

- An honours bachelor's degree or equivalent, typically including coursework in psychology (particularly developmental psychology), sociology, social work, and/or family relations
- Applicants must have at least a B+ average for their last 2 years of academic study, and provide academic and professional references
- Grades of at least 75% in applied statistics and research methods courses taken within the past 5 years
- Personal maturity and relevant work/volunteer experience

Deadline for receiving complete applications is **January 2nd** for September entry only.

### Information Sessions

Potential applicants are encouraged to attend one of the information sessions scheduled each fall and to thoroughly review the CFT Program web-page. Contacting faculty directly will not enhance an applicant's admission prospect. Applicants short-listed for an interview will have ample opportunity to speak with several program faculty at that time.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT INFORMATION

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