ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A completed admission application form.
- Official transcripts from all previously attended colleges and universities. GPA 3.0 or above
- Proof of valid bachelor’s degree (Certificate)
- Two academic references:
  One should be from School Administrator, who can attest to the applicants’ performance and attitude to work.
- A Personal Statement of Purpose/ Development Goals (250 words) typed double-spaced, font size 12.
- $700 Processing Fee
- One (1) Passport Size photo
- C.X.C.’s / GCE O’Levels
- Birth Certificate
- Marriage Certificate
- Prospective applicants will be invited to participate in an interview
- All successful applicants will be expected to attend mandatory counseling sessions with a certified counselor.

Deadline for submission: Contact School of Graduate Studies.

APPLICATION FORM

The application is an important part of the University’s record and should be completed carefully and accurately. Incomplete application forms may result in rejection.

TUITION & FEES

Tuition is charged per credit with rates subject to change annually. University fees are added to tuition for miscellaneous items and are compulsory charges. Students are required to make payments in full, but a payment plan is usually available from the Office of Financial Affairs.

Recognition

THE MICO UNIVERSITY COLLEGE is a Teacher Training University College registered to provide teacher education at the degree level.

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Master of Science in Counselling and Social Work

"Do It With Thy Might"
RATIONALE
The social and emotional development of children, parents and others, along with the many challenging issues that are experienced by students, teachers, parents and others, have made it imperative that educational institutions educate individuals who are caring, aware and prepared to advance their knowledge and enhance their expertise in the fields of Counselling and Social Work. Consistent with the goals and vision of the Department, the Master of Science in Counselling and Social Work is designed to educate individuals through involvement in research, practical experiences and advanced studies to undertake the implementation of effective programmes to address the myriads of societal challenges that are inherent in the 21st century.

OBJECTIVES
Upon completion of the Master of Science in Counselling and Social Work, graduates will be able to:
1. Effectively engage in counselling children, their families and other individuals and groups.
2. Use knowledge and skills gained through research, lectures, seminars and practical experiences to implement counselling programmes in schools and communities.
3. Model and display a high level of professionalism through effective communication, team work, confidentiality, empathy and personal development.
4. Assess, interpret and treat students, recognize and respect differences in culture, values, and backgrounds.
5. Explore contemporary issues in child therapy and be equipped with a sound understanding of child and adolescent development.
6. Provide leadership to schools and community agencies in the areas of child development through: Professional development, workshops, Seminars, Conferences, etc.
7. Implement programmes to address the emotional, physical, social and financial needs of children, parents and others.

OVERVIEW
The Master of Science Degree in Counselling and Social Work is designed to equip counsellors and social workers with the skills and knowledge which are relevant locally, regionally and globally. Participants will be equipped with the necessary strategies and competencies to effectively impact children and adults holistically, bringing about meaningful changes to their lives. Candidates will be exposed to the diversity and uniqueness of students, clients, their families and communities to foster their empowerment.

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DURATION OF STUDY
The Programme is scheduled for a period of two years (6 Semesters) and will be offered Monday to Thursday, 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Students shall normally register for the number of courses offered during the semester; however, in special circumstances with permission, there is the option of registering for more or less courses.

MODE OF DELIVERY
The Masters of Science programme in Counselling and Social Work is delivered through the blended learning mode.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE
The Programme of study covers 51 credits and is designed with a two part structure in Counselling and Social Work. The following courses will be offered to all students registered in the Programme:

- Foundation of Social Work (3 credits)
- Addiction Counselling (3 credits)
- Research Methods (3 credits)
- Child Psychopathology (3 credits)
- Adult Psychopathology (3 credits)
- Family Therapy (3 credits)
- Clinical Assessment (3 credits)
- Advanced Counselling Techniques (3 credits)
- Social Policy & Administration (3 credits)
- Grief/Trauma Counselling (3 credits)
- Community Social Work (3 credits)
- Ethical & Legal Issues in Mental Health (3 credits)
- Basic Counselling Lab (3 credits)
- Advanced Counselling Lab (3 Credits)
- Counselling Practicum (6 credits)
- Thesis (6 credits)
- Minimum of ten hours of personal Counselling