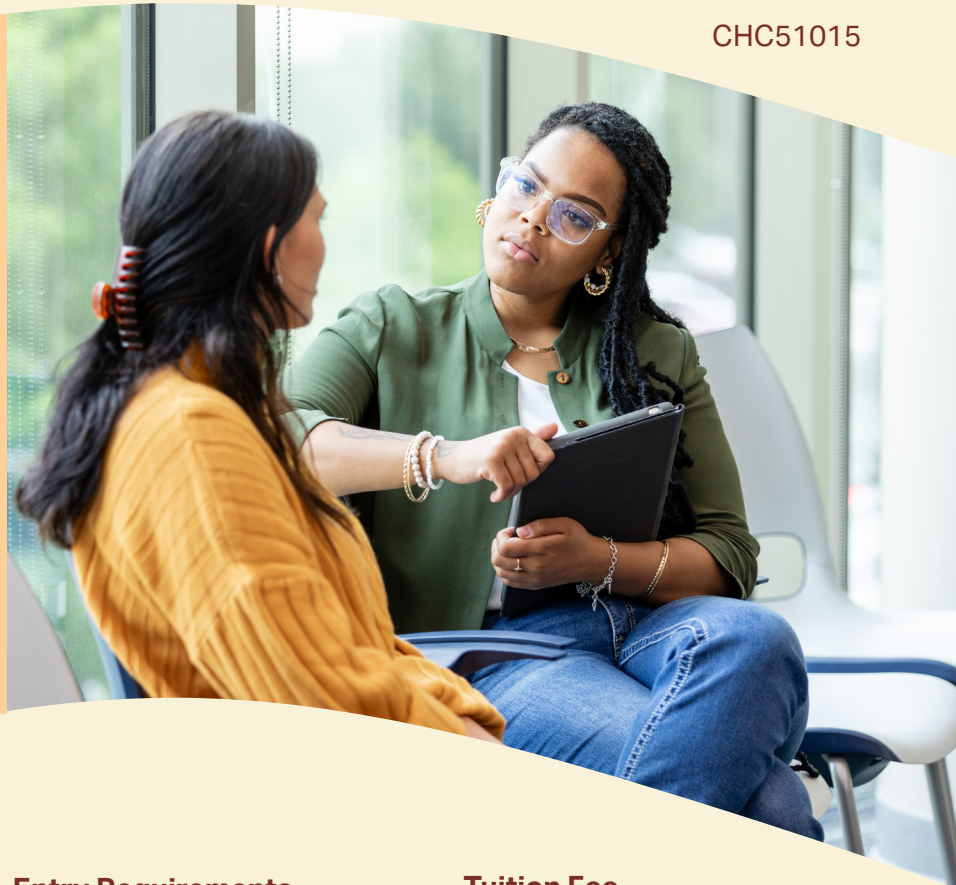


Diploma of Counselling

Mid-Year Intake

Work with clients on personal and psychological issues using established counselling modalities.



Overview

This qualification reflects the role of counsellors who work with clients on personal and psychological issues using established counselling modalities. Students will develop their integrative approach to counselling through face-to-face simulations and assessment with practice leaders within Relationships Australia South Australia.

The training combines best practices in online and face-to-face delivery, supporting student engagement with regularly scheduled, synchronous classes and tutorials and asynchronous activities and assessments.

All students can access interactive e-textbooks and a course facilitator for ongoing support.

Students completing this course will be equipped with the skills and knowledge to work in a defined and supported counselling role in an established agency rather than in independent practice. This qualification will add practical experience to an existing qualification.

Entry Requirements

Priority will be given to people with a background in health, community services or education and those already providing services to support communities and individuals in either a volunteer or paid capacity.

All applicants must undertake a suitability interview with the course coordinator.

Study Requirements

This program has both face-to-face and online tutorial content.

This program has 19 face-to-face classroom contact days, 7 online forums plus a supervised student practicum of 4 days. This program is equivalent to 10 to 15 hours of study per week. Students will be required to undertake self-directed learning outside of classroom delivery.

Prior Recognition of Learning

You may be eligible for recognition of prior learning (RPL) for this qualification. Please see our website for more details.

Work Placement Requirements

There is no required workplace component for the CHC51015 Diploma of Counselling.

Duration & Delivery Mode

15 months. Blended learning – Online and compulsory classroom sessions.

Tuition Fee

Full Fee: \$8,000

Subsidy Gap via Training Contract (employer supported traineeship): \$1,500

Note: If enrolled through a Training Contract, the employer is required to pay the gap fee.

Employment Opportunities

Students enrolled to study the Diploma of Counselling may be eligible for Student Membership of PACFA (Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia), see PACFA website for further details.

Upon successful completion of this qualification, you can gain employment within the community services sector with a focus on counselling including:

- Counsellor
- Case Manager

Qualification Pathways

Participants may be eligible to undertake further qualifications at Advanced Diploma or Graduate Diploma level.

Dates	Unit of Study	Units of Competency
28 April to 18 July 2025	Counselling Fundamentals	CHCCSL004 Research and apply personality and development theories CHCCSL005 Apply learning theories in counselling CHCCSL006 Select and use counselling therapies CHCCSL003 Facilitate the counselling relationship and process
21 July to 3 October 2025	Inclusivity and Restorative Practice	CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people CHCDIV002 Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety CHCCSM005 Develop, facilitate and review all aspects of case management
13 October to 19 December 2025	Collaborative and Safe Relationships	CHCCSL001 Establish and confirm the counselling relationship CHCCSL002 Apply specialist interpersonal and counselling interview skills CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice CHCCSL007 Support counselling clients in decision making processes
9 February to 17 April 2026	Responding to Client Adversities	CHCCCS003 Increase the safety of individuals at risk of suicide CHCCCS019 Recognise and respond to crisis situations CHCCCS017 Provide loss and grief support
27 April to 17 July 2026	Counselling With an Integrative Approach	CHCDFV001 Recognise and respond appropriately to domestic and family violence CHCPRP025 Identify and report to children and young people at risk CHCLEG001 Work legally and ethically

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