

# COMMUNITY CARE & COUNSELING (ED.D.) - TRAUMATOLOGY

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Courses</b>		
EDCO 705	Issues and Trends in Community Counseling	3
EDCO 711	Advanced Group Counseling	3
EDCO 715	Applied Counseling Theories	3
EDCO 725	Teaching and Learning	3
EDCO 735	Statistics <sup>1,2</sup>	3
EDCO 740	Diagnosis and Treatment of Addictive Behaviors	3
EDCO 745	Intermediate Statistics and Research <sup>1</sup>	3
EDCO 747	Qualitative Methods of Research	3
EDCO 790	Crisis & Trauma Counseling	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>27</b>

<sup>1</sup> Intensive format optional

<sup>2</sup> Prerequisites are determined and assigned at admission into program

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Traumatology Cognate</b>		
TRMA 800	Child Adolescent Trauma Research Design	3
TRMA 810	Adult and Familial Trauma	3
TRMA 820	Disaster Mental Health and Community Response	3
TRMA 830	Assessment and Testing in the Treatment of Trauma	3
TRMA 840	Empirically-Supported Treatments for Trauma	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Dissertation Courses</b>		
EDCO 716	Dissertation Topic <sup>1</sup>	1
EDCO 770	Dissertation Formation <sup>1</sup>	1
EDCO 900	Dissertation Design	3
EDCO 988	Dissertation Proposal and Research <sup>1,2,3</sup>	5
EDCO 989	Dissertation Completion <sup>1,2,3</sup>	5
EDCO 990	Dissertation Defense <sup>1,3</sup>	0
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> Course is Pass/Fail

<sup>2</sup> Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

<sup>3</sup> Ed.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDCO 988 a maximum of three times before their dissertation proposal is approved. Ed.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDCO 989 a maximum of three times. Extensions for exceptional circumstances must be approved by the Ed.D. in

Community Care & Counseling committee. Any student who is not ready for enrollment in EDCO 990 after completing EDCO 989 may be required, as determined by the student's dissertation chair, to repeat EDCO 989 until deemed ready for enrollment in EDCO 990

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 57 hours
- A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree
- Successful defense of Dissertation
- Degree must be completed within 7 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

## Program Offered in Online Format Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
EDCO 705	Issues and Trends in Community Counseling	3
EDCO 711	Advanced Group Counseling <sup>1</sup>	3
EDCO 715	Applied Counseling Theories	3
EDCO 716	Dissertation Topic <sup>2</sup>	1
EDCO 725	Teaching and Learning	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13</b>

<b>Second Semester</b>		
EDCO 735	Statistics <sup>1,3</sup>	3
TRMA 800	Child Adolescent Trauma Research Design	3
EDCO 740	Diagnosis and Treatment of Addictive Behaviors	3
TRMA 810	Adult and Familial Trauma	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
EDCO 745	Intermediate Statistics and Research <sup>1</sup>	3
TRMA 820	Disaster Mental Health and Community Response	3
EDCO 747	Qualitative Methods of Research	3
EDCO 790	Crisis & Trauma Counseling	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

<b>Second Semester</b>		
EDCO 770	Dissertation Formation <sup>2</sup>	1
TRMA 830	Assessment and Testing in the Treatment of Trauma	3
EDCO 900	Dissertation Design <sup>1</sup>	3
TRMA 840	Empirically-Supported Treatments for Trauma	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>10</b>

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Third Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
EDCO 988	Dissertation Proposal and Research <sup>2,4,5</sup>	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
EDCO 989	Dissertation Completion <sup>2,4,5</sup>	5
EDCO 990	Dissertation Defense <sup>2,5</sup>	0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>57</b>

<sup>1</sup> Optional Intensive format

<sup>2</sup> Course is Pass/Fail

<sup>3</sup> Prerequisites determined and assigned at admission into program

<sup>4</sup> Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

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