



PROGRAM PLANNING GUIDE 2025 - 2026

Child and Youth Care Counsellor Diploma

The purpose of this program planning guide is to help students track their progress within their chosen program. The information in this planning guide is accurate at the time of printing and is subject to change without notice. It is the students' responsibility to ensure the accuracy of their program and course choice. Students should use the program planning guide dated the year in which they began the program. This guide should be used in conjunction with the official version of the Medicine Hat College Calendar, and calendars of appropriate transfer institutions, which are the final authorities regarding program requirements.

Year One

FALL SEMESTER			WINTER SEMESTER		
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
CYCC 111* [3] (lec/lab) <i>The Profession of Child and Youth Care</i>			CYCC 120 [4.5] (lec/prac) <i>Practicum I</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 111, IDST 100 Corequisite: CYCC 125		
ENGL 2xx [3] (lec) <i>Junior ENGL</i>			CYCC 122 [3] (lec) <i>Working with Vulnerable Children, Youth & Families</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 111		
IDST 100 [4] (lec/lab) <i>Intro Communications for Helping Professions</i>			CYCC 125 [3] (lec/lab) <i>Fundamental Skills in Counselling</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 111 & IDST 100		
KNES 281 [3] (lec/lab) <i>Introduction to Movement Activities of Children and Youth</i>			ENGL 2xx [3] (lec) <i>Junior ENGL</i>		
PSYC 201 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Psychology II – Social Science</i>			COMP 191 [3] (lec) <i>Digital Foundations & Software Applications</i>		
			PSYC 351 [3] (lec) <i>Developmental Psychology</i> Prerequisite: Any 200-level Psychology		

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Year Two

FALL SEMESTER			WINTER SEMESTER		
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
CYCC 230* [6] (lec/prac) <i>Practicum II</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 120			CYCC 232 [3] (lec) <i>Mental Health & Substance Abuse Issues</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 111		
CYCC 233 [3] (lec) <i>Legal and Cultural Issues Regarding Children and Youth</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 111			CYCC 240 [6] (lec/prac) <i>Practicum III</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 230		
CYCC 235 [3] (lec) <i>Group Facilitation</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 125			CYCC 245 [3] (lec) <i>Assessment and Intervention</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 235		
CYCC 237 [3] (lec) <i>Youth Care Practice with Families</i> Prerequisite: C in CYCC 111			PSYC 385 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Abnormal Psychology</i> Prerequisite: Any 200-level Psychology		
PSYC 357 [3] (lec) <i>Human Development</i> Prerequisite: Any 200-level Psychology					

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Program Notes:

Continuation Requirements: In order to be considered a continuing student of record in the Child and Youth Care Counsellor Program, students must:

- maintain a minimum of a “C” grade in all Child and Youth Care (CYCC) courses.
- maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in all courses required to complete the program.
- complete all prerequisite courses before moving on to the next core CYCC courses.
- Students may repeat courses only at the discretion and with the permission of the Child and Youth Care Counsellor Program Coordinator.

Graduation Requirements

- All courses outlined in the calendar must be completed with an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- Student are expected to meet the physical demands of meeting clients in their own life space, and to always maintain healthy, professional boundaries.
- Should the program coordinator judge, in consultation with faculty, that there is evidence that students are professionally unsuitable or a risk to clients, the coordinator may prohibit you from attending or completing a practicum.
- Students that have been absent from the program for one calendar year and are returning to complete a course will be required to successfully complete a comprehensive evaluation. Depending on the outcomes of the evaluation students may be required to successfully complete remediation in preparation to enter the practicum.

You should see your Academic Advisor or Program Coordinator if you:

- Choose to take courses in a different configuration than shown above.
- Drop or fail a course.
- Want to take a course in the spring semester or from another institution.