

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING & LICENSING

Each individual must decide if he or she wants to be an agent of the state or an agent of the Church. If you have a Divine call on your life to counsel and minister to the hurting, then a state license will prohibit such ministry.

The N.C.C.A. licensing Program is not a state license and is, in fact, distinctly different. Most states have regulatory laws governing the practice of psychology. Many of them also legislate the practice of general counseling. The laws vary from state to state. Your N.C.C.A. title must be spelled out, i.e., "N.C.C.A. Licensed Pastoral Counselor or "N.C.C.A. Licensed Clinical Christian Counselor" This ensures that the N.C.C.A. counselor is operating within legal and ethical standards, and maintaining the public's trust and confidence.

State regulatory laws help to protect the public and ensure professionalism within the counseling profession. The N.C.C.A. strives to attain a similar goal within the Christian community and, at the same time, operate so as to avoid infringing upon state regulations.

The State and federal governments also have jurisdictional boundaries. They cannot pass laws that prevent the church from fulfilling its purpose and ministering to humanity's needs. The state recognizes that counseling is one of the responsibilities of the Church and its clergy. For this reason, the state does not (and must never be permitted to) interfere with the ministry of counseling.

The major difference between state-licensed professional counselors and Pastoral or Christian counselors, who are licensed by the N.C.C.A. and under the authority of the Church (Body of Christ), is clear and well defined. Counselors who have been licensed by the state are held to strict ethical standards which mandate an individual's right to be free from religious interference. The state licensed professional counselor is forbidden to pray, read or refer to the Holy Scriptures counsel against things such as homosexuality, abortion, etc. **The only time a state licensed counselor can involve religious Christian principle, moral, activities, etc. is if the counselee initiated or requests counsel in this area.**

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

NCCI requires at \$75 set up fee. The tuition for all N.C.C.A. Phase I and Phase II courses is \$287 per course plus shipping and handling fees.

Candidates are expected to provide the NCCI with a credit card number and expiration date so the tuition can be paid as each course is shipped. Arrangements can be made that allow the candidate to pay monthly toward the course tuition depending on the track chosen. Clinical supervision for Phase I and II are \$300 for both.

The course tuition and clinical supervision fees do not include the cost of the A.P.S. reports. The candidate's cost for the A.P.S reports is \$24 each. The fee for the A.P.S. report is not considered an expense to the candidate since the fees are normally passed on to the client/person being tested. Most licensure candidates charge the client/person being tested from \$50 to \$85 for the report.

When you successfully complete Phase I and Phase II, you will receive your membership certificate as a Professional Clinical Member and:

If you hold:	You will receive:
No degree.....	NCCA Certified Pastoral Counselor
Bachelors.....	NCCA Licensed Pastoral Counselor
Masters.....	NCCA Licensed Clinical Pastoral Counselor
Doctorate.....	NCCA Licensed Clinical Pastoral Counselor Advanced Certificate

Or if it best describes your ministry, you may request your license as a Licensed Clinical Christian Counselor (regardless of degree level)

The time element involved is approximately 40 to 50 clock hours per course. This depends on your own personal academic skills.

All courses are provided as independent home study (distance education). All courses are provided in both audio cassette and video tape format or are presented at weekly meetings in a group setting.

Examinations are closed book and require a proctor to ensure the integrity of the training.



National Christian Counselors Institute

A Certified Academic Institute for
The
National Christian Counselors
Association

Licensing Protocol



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Basic Christian Counseling

Author: R.G. Arno, Ph.D.

This course will cover four hours of instruction. The instructor will provide the student with an overview of the "Big Eight" (types of secular counseling/therapeutic methods). In addition, the student will be taught the difference between Christian and secular counseling, goals, techniques, and several other important topics, such as the dangers and pitfalls of counseling.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 10 clock hours
 2. Maximum time limit four weeks
 3. Pass a proctored final exam
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Temperament Theory

Author: R. G. Arno, Ph.D.

This course is approximately 250 pages in length. The candidate will be provided with an in-depth background of the theory of temperament and provided with the scientific and biblical basis for this theory. This course introduces a fifth temperament and the behavioral patterns of each temperament. The student is required to complete a personal Arno Profile System (A.P.S.) Response Form prior to beginning this course.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 30 clock hours
 2. Maximum time limit twelve weeks
 3. Complete and submit a personal temperament questionnaire
 4. Pass two proctored exams
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Testing Measurements

R. G. Arno, Ph.D. and P.J. Arno, Ph.D.

This course is provided on a one-hour audio or video cassette. The instructors will introduce the student to the primary tests used by the N.C.C.A. Sample of "Jane Doe" reports will be provided for the student's review. After reviewing the training tape, the student is required to return a Verification Statement for course credit. Upon receipt of this instrument, the N.C.C.C. will permit the candidate to continue to the next course.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 3 clock hours
 2. Maximum time limit four weeks
 3. Submit Verification Statement
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Temperament Therapy

Author: R. G. Arno, Ph.D.

This course is approximately 360 pages in length. The candidate will be taught how to apply the theory of temperament in a clinical setting. An A.P.S. start-up packet is included with this course. The student is authorized to begin administering the A.P.S. at this point.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 30 clock hours
 2. Maximum time limit twelve weeks
 3. Pass two proctored exams
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Christian Psychology and Counseling

Authors: Rev. John W. Luton, M.A., Richard G. Arno, PhD. Phyllis J. Arno, Ph.D.

This course is approximately 300 pages in length. The candidate will receive general information regarding basic theories on historical systems of psychology, counseling, Biblical theories of counseling and utilization of N.C.C.A.'s counseling model, Temperament Theory.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 45 clock hours
 2. Maximum time limit sixteen weeks
 3. Pass one proctored exam
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Mastering Pastoral Counseling Utilizing Temperament

Authors: Rev. John W. Luto, M.A., Richard G. Arno, Ph.D. & Phyllis J. Arno, PhD.

This course is approximately 225 pages in length. The candidate will receive specific information regarding stress, anger, and guilt with the emphasis on the need to develop family relationships. This course utilizes the N.C.C.A.'s counseling model, Temperament Therapy.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 36 clock Hours
 2. Maximum time limit fourteen weeks
 3. Pass one proctored exam
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Temperament Case Studies

Compiled by Phyllis J. Arno, Ph.D.

This course is approximately 154 pages in length. The candidate will learn first-hand the counseling model used by the N.C.C.A. members and graduates. These case studies utilize the counseling model taught by the N.C.C.A. and also incorporates other testing instruments.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 35 clock hours
 2. Maximum time limit twelve weeks
 3. Submit one case study following format
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Counseling the Codependent: A Christian Perspective Utilizing Temperament.

Author: Jean M. LaCour, Ph.D.

This course is approximately 160 pages in length. The candidate will receive specialized training regarding codependency, which incorporates the counseling taught by the N.C.C.A.

Course Requirements:

1. Approximately 35 clock hours
 2. Maximum time limit twelve weeks
 3. Pass one proctored exam
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The Christian Counselors Institute is not a school. We distribute educational material for The N.C.C.A. and assist you in going through the material.
