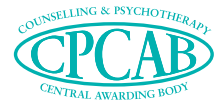




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# Level 4 Diploma in Therapeutic Counselling (TC-L4)

## Who is this qualification for?

Our Level 4 qualification, *Diploma in Therapeutic Counselling* will benefit students who want to train to become a counsellor working in a counselling service agency. Successful completion of this course will enable trainees to provide a therapeutic counselling service within the context of an agency's service framework.

To benefit from this qualification candidates should already hold a CPCAB Level 3 *Certificate in Counselling Studies* or its equivalent and wish to develop and deepen their understanding and skills. In addition, all counselling agencies should provide trainees with a service framework that includes both a line manager and clinical supervision.

This qualification requires a minimum of 420 Guided Learning Hours (GLH) to complete successfully.

## What will students gain from this training?

The *Diploma in Therapeutic Counselling* provides:

- › focused vocational and professional development
- › a competence based training which highlights the development of skilled practice via experiential learning
- › specific training for the role of counsellor in an agency
- › the opportunity to master a wide range of counselling theories and approaches.

## How do I find out more?

For further information about this qualification and a detailed breakdown of its content please go to our website at [www.cpcab.co.uk](http://www.cpcab.co.uk) or call us on 01458 850 350.

This qualification also responds to:

- › standards 1, 2 and 3 of the National Service Framework for Mental Health
- › the recent Layard Report which calls for a substantial increase in the number of psychological therapists able to work with common mental health issues
- › the need for counsellors to work towards professional memberships
- › the NHS need for highly qualified counsellors as specified in the Agenda for Change (bands 5 - 7).

## How can I market this course successfully?

Feedback from students already on this course shows that they are mainly enthused by its practical nature and the potential for employment. Consequently, the key to engaging prospective candidates' interest lies in emphasising these benefits. In addition the Open University has awarded 120 credit points for this qualification.

## Progression

Successful candidates may progress onto our *Level 5 Diploma in Psychotherapeutic Counselling* (PC-L5) and, following at least one year (part time) of post clinical experience, our *Level 6 Diploma in Therapeutic Counselling Supervision* (TCSU-L6).

