Foundation Degree in Counselling

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses). These regulations are available by going online to the Open University 'Essential Documents' website at www.open.ac.uk/essential-documents.

**Award letters**
FD (Open)

**Entry requirements**
None

**Maximum duration of study**
7 years to complete the OU study requirements

**Credit requirement**
240

**Stage 1 (120 credits)**
120 credits from the approved Diploma in Therapeutic Counselling awarded by the Counselling and Psychotherapy Central Awarding Body in the form of collaborative scheme credit

**Stage 2 (120 credits)**
30 credits at OU Stage 2 from *either* the approved Certificate in Cognitive Behavioural Therapeutic Skills and Theory *or* the approved Diploma in Psychotherapeutic Counselling awarded by the Counselling and Psychotherapy Central Awarding Body in the form of general credit exemption.
A further 30 credits from the specified compulsory module and a further 60 credits from the specified core option modules at OU Stage 2.

**Maximum transferred credit**
150 minimum/maximum credits, see additional rules

**Maximum age of credit transfer**
16 years

**Unique study requirement**
90 credits

**Additional rules**
To qualify for the Foundation Degree in Counselling, you must have an award of 150 credits for the study completed for the specified qualifications of the Counselling and Psychotherapy Central Awarding Body in OU Stages 1 and 2.