Professionals with a master’s degree clinical mental health counseling are sought by employers nationwide in industries such as healthcare and higher education.

**CAREER OUTLOOK**

**TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS**

- Individual and Family Services
- Outpatient Care Centers
- Offices of Other Health Practitioners
- Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools
- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals

**MOST IN-DEMAND JOB SKILLS**

- Mental health
- Treatment planning
- Supervisory skills
- Behavioral health
- Crisis intervention

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**PROJECTED JOB GROWTH**

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the demand for mental health counselors is expected to increase by 20% from 2014 to 2024, faster than the national average for all occupations.

*Data for the analysis of 1,232 job postings for professionals with a master’s degree in clinical mental health counseling from January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2016, was retrieved using Burning Glass Technologies Labor Insight Real-Time Labor Market Information Tool. Industry sectors, job skills, job titles, and job counts are at the national level and may not reflect local, state, or individual employer job conditions and may be subject to change. Some jobs may require other credentials besides completion of a degree. Walden makes no representation or guarantee that completion of Walden coursework or programs will permit an individual to obtain state licensure or other credential.

†Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2016-2017 Edition, on the internet at www.bls.gov/ooh/community-and-social-service/mental-health-counselors-and-marriage-and-family-therapists.htm#tab-6 (viewed online June 27, 2017). National job growth estimates may not reflect local, state, or individual employer job conditions and may be subject to change. Some jobs may require other credentials besides completion of a degree. Walden makes no representation or guarantee that completion of Walden coursework or programs will permit an individual to obtain state licensure or other credential.