

# Counselling Courses

## Therapeutic Counselling

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This course is designed for individuals who are looking to progress to become a qualified professional counsellor.

### What are the entry requirements?

As a prerequisite for admission to the Diploma course learners must possess a Level 3 Certificate or Level 3 Diploma in Counselling Skills.

### Need more information?

You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer by calling us on 01226 776000 or emailing us [courses@northern.ac.uk](mailto:courses@northern.ac.uk)

## Course description

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Central to this journey is a 100-hour supervised practicum, offering real-world experience under the guidance of seasoned professionals. You will need to ensure you have a placement for the start of Year 2.

Students considering this program should understand that it involves a deeply experiential learning process, supplemented by self-awareness exercises. Such activities are intensive and require a high level of personal engagement and interaction with fellow learners. Prospective students will be informed about the nature of these requirements either through an interview or a pre-course meeting, ensuring clarity on the personal investment and the introspective nature of the course.

This course is part-time over 2 years.

Session dates are for year 1

## What can this course lead to?

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There is potential for this qualification to help learners looking for employment in a particular variety of settings e.g. GP practices and voluntary and statutory organisations.

## Want to learn more?

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You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer at one of our Open Events [<https://www.northern.ac.uk/open-events/>]

## Course fees and funding support

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The tuition fee for this course is £2,225. The cost of this course can be covered by applying for an Advanced Learner Loan. Further details and eligibility can be found at: [www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan/overview](https://www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan/overview) [<https://www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan/>]

Alternatively, students can self-fund by paying the full amount at enrolment or setting up an instalment plan.

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If you are not eligible, the cost of the course is ££2,225.00. There is no option to pay to stay residentially if you do not meet the criteria for residential funding. The vast majority of students are eligible to study and stay residentially for free and we will confirm as part of the application process.

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