

Hello!

Thank you for your interest in the Play Therapy Online Graduate Certificate at the University of Wyoming. Courses in this certificate program are taught in a completely online format comprised of both asynchronous and synchronous components (such as meeting face-to-face via Zoom). The purpose of the online graduate certificate program is to meet the 150 clock training hours required by the Association for Play Therapy (APT) to become a Registered Play Therapist (RPT) or a School-Based Registered Play Therapist (SB-RPT). The program is designed for completion in one academic year with cohort groups beginning annually in the fall semester. This 7-hour graduate level certificate program meets the academic content hours requirement for participants.

Some important information regarding the certificate program:

- A master's degree or higher mental health degree from an institution of higher education is required for acceptance to this graduate certificate program.
- Participants are also responsible for meeting the additional requirements outlined by APT (<https://www.a4pt.org/page/CredentialsHomepage>)
- The application deadline for the next cohort for the certificate program is July 1, for the fall term beginning mid to late August.
- Online application and cost of attendance information can be found at the program website <http://www.uwyo.edu/uw/degree-programs/play-therapy-certificate.html>
- Once accepted into the online play therapy certificate program, students are required to complete three graduate level courses in play therapy totaling 7 credit hours of graduate level work which is designed to meet the 150 clock hours of training (the academic content hours portion) required by the Association for Play Therapy (APT) as a part of the process for applying to become a Registered Play Therapist (RPT) or a School-Based Registered Play Therapist (SB-RPT).

Below is a current listing of the coursework required for UW's online play therapy certificate program:

PLAY THERAPY ONLINE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE COURSES

<u>Credit Hours</u>	<u>Course Name</u>
3	CNSL 5341 - Play Therapy and Expressive Arts - Offered Fall Term
1	CNSL 5342 - Theoretical Models of Play Therapy - Offered J-Term (Winter Break)
3	CNSL 5343 - Filial and Family Play Therapy - Offered Spring Term
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Total: 7	= 150 Training Hours - Required by the Association of Play Therapy

Note: In addition to the required 150 clock hours of play therapy training specific instruction which can be obtained through UW's Play Therapy Online Graduate Certificate, APT also

has additional requirements that need to be met in order to apply for the RPT or SB-RPT credential. For specific information regarding APT's requirements please visit their website at <https://www.a4pt.org/page/CredentialsHomepage>

For more information regarding UW's Play Therapy Online Graduate Certificate, feel free to contact me directly, or visit the program website, <http://www.uwyo.edu/uw/degree-programs/play-therapy-certificate.html>.

Sincerely,

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