

ACAP strengths:

1. 30 year track record running a successful postgraduate certificate program in psychoanalysis: focus on studies about the constitutional, environmental and interpersonal factors that influence adaptive and maladaptive personality development, our response to the traumatic experiences occurring over the developmental span, and the ways in which we can help people develop healthy coping skills.
2. 7 year track record operating a 48 credit Master of Arts in Psychoanalysis program and a 60 credit Master of Arts in Psychoanalytic Counseling program, in affiliation with Centenary College.
3. The capacity for attracting students from a richly diverse group including mental health professionals, medical staff, educators, law enforcement, emergency managers, first responders, clergy, human resources professionals, elder care workers, nurses, school counselors, crisis intervention workers, hostage negotiators, mediation professionals, and more.
4. An intensely mentored program that helps prevent academic burnout and has, throughout ACAP's history providing graduate degree programs, insured a 98% graduation record for all matriculated students.
5. A self-contained academic environment in which students can develop the sense of community with their colleagues necessary for successful community engagement, and adaptation in stress-laden careers.
6. The ACAP classroom as *clinical laboratory* utilizes both academic and emotional learning systems and focuses on helping students integrate the nuances of the emotional response process and subtleties of resilience-building strategies.
7. The ability to structure curriculum so adult career changers may take courses at their own speed while maintaining jobs and personal family life.
8. The ability, through ACAP's leadership involvement in the Community Resource Partnering Network, to offer students exciting and meaningful practicum and externship experiences.
9. An extensive library pertaining to psychoanalysis, trauma and resilience studies, and lifespan studies.
10. Online access to PEP, Psychoanalytic Electronic Publications, for all students. PEP has archived the articles of most of the prominent journals in the field through 2010.

11. A faculty actively involved in the disciplines and professional organizations representing the wide spectrum of careers available for graduates of the program.
12. Through the generosity of our foundation and personal donors, the ability to provide a certain amount of scholarship funding for students currently working in inner city or trauma challenged areas the opportunity to take advanced courses which help them build new skills to perform their essential tasks better.