

COUNSELING - ED.S.

College of Education Health and Human Services
 School of Lifespan Development and Educational Sciences
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About This Program

Make a difference with the Education Specialist in Counseling program equips you with the skills and knowledge needed to provide effective counseling and support to individuals and communities in need. Read more...

Contact Information

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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Kent Campus

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*

Counselors, all other

- 13.0% much faster than the average
- 29,100 number of jobs
- \$45,760 potential earnings

Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors

- 24.7% much faster than the average
- 319,400 number of jobs
- \$47,660 potential earnings

* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

For more information about graduate admissions, visit the graduate admission website. For more information on international admissions, visit the international admission website.

Admission Requirements

- Master's degree from an accredited college or university
- Minimum 3.000 graduate GPA on a 4.000 point scale (minimum 3.250 graduate GPA is recommended)
- Official transcript(s)
- Goal statement

- Two letters of recommendation
- Supplemental Interview Form
- Interview
- English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning one of the following:
 - Minimum 550 TOEFL PBT score (paper-based version)
 - Minimum 79 TOEFL IBT score (Internet-based version)
 - Minimum 77 MELAB score
 - Minimum 6.5 IELTS score
 - Minimum 58 PTE score
 - Minimum 110 Duolingo English Test score

For more information about graduate admissions, please visit the Graduate Studies admission website. For more information on international admission, visit the Office of Global Education's admission website.

Application Deadlines

- **Fall Semester**
 - Priority deadline: December 15
Applications submitted by this deadline will receive the strongest consideration for admission.
 - Application deadline: February 1
Applications submitted after this deadline will be considered on a space-available basis.
- **Spring Semester**
 - Priority deadline: September 1
Applications submitted by this deadline will receive the strongest consideration for admission.
 - Application deadline: October 1
Applications submitted after this deadline will be considered on a space-available basis.
- **Summer Term**
 - Application deadline: February 1
Applications submitted after this deadline will be considered on a space-available basis.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements		
CES 77663	ORIENTATION AND ETHICS: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING	3
or CES 78069	ORIENTATION AND ETHICS: SCHOOL COUNSELING	
School Counseling Internship or Clinical Mental Health Counseling Internship, choose from the following:		6
CES 68192 & CES 68292	INTERNSHIP I: SCHOOL COUNSELING and INTERNSHIP II: SCHOOL COUNSELING	
CES 67792 & CES 67892	INTERNSHIP I: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING and INTERNSHIP II: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING	
Major Electives, choose from the following:		21
CES 68167	CASE CONCEPTUALIZATION AND TREATMENT PLANNING	
CES 68168	ADVANCED COUNSELING THEORIES	
CES 68284	SUPERVISION IN COUNSELING I	

CES 68392	SCHOOL COUNSELING PRACTICUM
CES 77592	PRACTICUM II: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING
CES 77628	DIAGNOSIS IN COUNSELING
CES 77662	FOUNDATIONS OF ADDICTIONS COUNSELING
CES 77664	THEORIES AND PRACTICES IN ADDICTIONS COUNSELING
CES 77665	TREATMENT PLANNING IN ADDICTIONS COUNSELING
CES 78011	FOUNDATIONS OF SCHOOL COUNSELING
CES 78066	COUNSELING ADOLESCENTS
CES 78067	COUNSELING CHILDREN
CES 78068	SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP
CES 78128	CLINICAL ASSESSMENT IN COUNSELING
CES 78130	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY FOR COUNSELORS
CES 78529	COUPLES THERAPY:THEORY AND TECHNIQUES
CES 78533	FAMILY THERAPY: THEORY AND TECHNIQUES
CES 78538	ADVANCED MULTICULTURAL COUNSELING
RMS 65510	STATISTICS I FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
Other Advisor-Approved Electives	

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30

Graduation Requirements

Minimum 30 credit hours are needed beyond a counseling master's degree.

Full Description

The Educational Specialist degree in Counseling can be highly individualized to meet the needs of students having interests in a variety of school or community settings. The degree is an advanced-level practitioner's degree, and the focus is on practical knowledge and skill.

State and Federal background checks are required for practicum/ internship experiences and to apply for Counselor Trainee status. See the Practicum and Internship Coordinator for more information.