

CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING - M.ED.

College of Education Health and Human Services
School of Lifespan Development and Educational Sciences
www.kent.edu/ehhs/ldes

Examples of Possible Careers*

Substance abuse, behavioral disorder, and mental health counselors

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

Contact Information

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- Chat with an Admissions Counselor

Fully Offered

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

Admission Terms

- Fall
- Spring
- Summer

*Note

Source of occupation titles and labor data is 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.

Description

The Master of Education degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling prepares students for employment as counselors in community-based human service agencies (e.g., substance abuse facilities, mental health centers, child and family service agencies) and private counseling facilities.

This program is designed to fulfill the educational requirements for licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor in the state of Ohio. The program may be pursued on a part-time or full-time basis, although some full-time study is encouraged.

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

Accreditation

Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Minimum 3.000 undergraduate GPA on a 4.000 point scale
- Official transcript(s)
- Goal statement
- Questions in Anticipation of Licensure Form
- Supplemental Interview Form
- Two letters of recommendation
- 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.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Effectively work with clients from a multicultural and pluralistic society
2. Demonstrate knowledge in assessment, group work, career development, helping relationships human growth and development, social and cultural diversity, research and program evaluation and professional orientation and ethical practice
3. Meet the academic components required by the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board to be eligible to sit for the current licensure assessments
4. Understand legal and ethical standards and practice in a legal and ethical manner
5. Understand and demonstrate multicultural responsiveness
6. Demonstrate a strong counselor identity
7. Demonstrate strong clinical skills in case conceptualization, diagnosis and treatment planning
8. Understand and demonstrate sound counseling skills and techniques within a theoretical framework in both individual and group counseling
9. Understand the importance of research in advancing the counseling profession, including how to critique research to inform counseling practice
10. Effectively work with crisis, trauma, suicide and at-risk clients

Professional Licensure Disclosure

This program is designed to prepare students to sit for applicable licensure or certification in Ohio. If you plan to pursue licensure or certification in a state other than Ohio, please review state educational requirements for licensure or certification and contact information for state licensing boards at Kent State's website for professional licensure disclosure.

Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapy Board website for more information on assessments specific to licensure type.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements		
CES 65511	RESEARCH IN COUNSELING	3
CES 67492	PRACTICUM I: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING	3
CES 67530	COUNSELING THEORIES	3
CES 67531	COUNSELING SKILLS AND TECHNIQUES	3
CES 67580	MULTICULTURAL COUNSELING	3
CES 67628	DIAGNOSIS IN COUNSELING	3
CES 67662	FOUNDATIONS OF ADDICTIONS COUNSELING	3
CES 67592	PRACTICUM II: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING	3
CES 67663	ORIENTATION AND ETHICS: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING	3
CES 67792	INTERNSHIP I: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING	3
CES 67820	GROUP WORK: THEORY AND TECHNIQUES	3
CES 68126	INTRODUCTION TO ASSESSMENT IN COUNSELING	3
CES 68128	CLINICAL ASSESSMENT IN COUNSELING	3
CES 68130	PSYCHOPATHOLOGY FOR COUNSELORS	3
CES 68167	CASE CONCEPTUALIZATION AND TREATMENT PLANNING	3
CES 68182	CAREER COUNSELING	3
CES 67892	INTERNSHIP II: CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING	3
EPSY 65523	LIFE SPAN DEVELOPMENT	3
Advisor Approved Electives, choose from the following:		6
CES 67668	MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING	
CES 68066	COUNSELING ADOLESCENTS	
CES 68067	COUNSELING CHILDREN	
CES 68168	ADVANCED COUNSELING THEORIES	
CES 68529	COUPLES THERAPY:THEORY AND TECHNIQUES	
CES 68533	FAMILY THERAPY: THEORY AND TECHNIQUES	
CES 68538	ADVANCED MULTICULTURAL COUNSELING	

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 60

Graduation Requirements

The M.Ed. degree curriculum is a minimum of 60 credit hours, including a 600 clock-hour internship.

Licensure Information

Candidates seeking Ohio license are required to pass specific assessments in order to apply for licensure. Students should consult their advisors for specific program requirements and refer to the Ohio