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.

Fully Offered At:

- Kent Campus

Admission Requirements

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

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. Demonstrate knowledge in professional identity, social and cultural diversity; human growth and development, career development; helping relationships; group work, assessment; and research and program evaluation.
2. Demonstrate knowledge and skills in the foundations of clinical mental health counseling or school counseling.
3. Demonstrate curricular experiences in the contextual dimensions of community and school.
4. Demonstrate knowledge and skill requirements for clinical mental health counselors or school counselors.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

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Major Electives, choose from the following:

- CES 68167 CASE CONCEPTUALIZATION AND TREATMENT PLANNING
- CES 68168 ADVANCED COUNSELING THEORIES
- CES 68284 SUPERVISION OF COUNSELING
- 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
- EVAL 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.