SCHOOL COUNSELING - M.ED.

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School of Lifespan Development and Educational Sciences
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Fully Offered

- Kent Campus

Admission Terms

- Fall
- Spring
- Summer

Description

The Master of Education degree in School Counseling prepares students for employment as professional school counselors in K-12 schools.

This program is designed to fulfill the educational requirements for licensure as a Licensed School 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 urged.

State and Federal background checks are required for field-based experiences. See the Practicum and Internship Coordinator for more information.

Accreditation

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

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university for unconditional admission
- Minimum 3.000 undergraduate GPA on a 4.000 point scale for unconditional admission
- Official transcript(s)
- Goal statement
- Questions in Anticipation of Licensure form
- 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.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge in assessment, groupwork, career development, helping relationships, human growth and development, social and cultural diversity, research and program evaluation, and professional orientation and ethical practice.
2. Meet the academic components required by the Ohio Department of Education to be eligible to sit for the current licensure assessments.
3. Understand legal and ethical standards and practice in a legal and ethical manner.
4. Understand and demonstrate multicultural responsiveness.
5. Demonstrate a strong counselor identity.
6. Demonstrate strong skills in identifying affect, behavior and cognition that contributes to mental health issues.
7. Understand and demonstrate sound counseling skills and techniques within a theoretical framework in both individual and group counseling.
8. Demonstrate valuable skills in conceptualizing student success and growth.
9. Understand the importance of research in advancing the counseling profession including how to critique research to inform counseling practice.
11. Design and evaluate school counseling programming.

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.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 48

**Graduation Requirements**

- The M.Ed. degree curriculum is a minimum of 48 credit hours, including a 600 clock-hour internship.

**Licensure Information**

Candidates seeking Ohio licensure 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 Department of Education-Educator Preparation website for more information on assessments specific to licensure type.