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**Ed.S. in Counselor Education**

**Description**
The Ed.S. in counselor education is designed specifically for school counselors. Completion of this degree will partially fulfill requirements in the state of Mississippi for AAA school counselor licensure.

**Minimum Total Credit Hours: 66**

**Course Requirements**
The Ed.S. in counselor education requires 18 hours of course work to include Coun 653-Group Counseling Practicum Coun 682-Family Counseling Coun 674-Diagnostic Systems in Counseling One 3-hour elective and 6 hours of Coun 695-Internship

This set of requirements is built upon the following courses for the M.Ed. in counselor education (48 hours). The student may be required to take these courses if any of them are not in his/her record: Coun 539, 570, 594, 601, 605, 621, 643, 680, 683, 672, 686, 690, 688, 693, and 695.

**Emphasis - Play Therapy**

**Description**
The Ed.S. in counselor education/play therapy option is designed for mental health clinicians specializing in play therapy. Completion of this degree will partially fulfill requirements for certification as a Registered Play Therapist (RPT) with the Association for Play Therapy. The program will be delivered completely online with distance supervision for the practica in play therapy.

**Goals/Mission Statement**
Completion of this degree will partially fulfill requirements for certification as a Registered Play Therapist (RPT) with the Association for Play Therapy.

**Course Requirements**
Preliminary Requirements: The 18-hour play therapy Ed.S. degree requires completion of a master’s degree in either professional counseling, school counseling, social work, marriage and family therapy and psychology from an accredited college.