

M.Ed. in Counselor Education

Description

The M.Ed. in counselor education must be completed with an option in (a) clinical mental health counseling; (b) college counseling, or (c) school counseling. The program requires satisfactory completion of courses and course experiences, development of basic counseling skills, performance in practicum and internship, and demonstration of specific clinical competencies beyond class requirements.

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 60

Goals/Mission Statement

The general objective of the M.Ed. in counseling is to prepare students to be professional counselors. The counselor education faculty believe that the development of a strong professional identity, a rich knowledge base, and expertise in the skills of counseling are essential to becoming a professional counselor. The program's first priority is to serve the people of Mississippi by providing highly qualified counselors.

Course Requirements

To complete the M.Ed. in counselor education, a student must complete the following core courses and also complete specific courses for the specialization option in (a) clinical mental health counseling; (b) college counseling, or (c) school counseling.

Basic Counseling Core

	Credits
Coun 601 Lifespan Development	3
Coun 603 Counseling Skills	3
Coun 605 Research in Counseling	3
Coun 606 Counseling Theories	3
Coun 607 Group Procedures	3
Coun 608 Issues and Ethics in Counseling	3
Coun 609 Multicultural Counseling	3
Coun 611 Assessment	3
Coun 640 Career Counseling	3
Coun 642 Crisis Intervention	3

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Specialization

	Credits
Coun 612 Foundations of Clinical Mental Health Counseling	3
Coun 613 Diagnostic Systems in Counseling	3
Coun 614 Family Counseling	3
Coun 615 Addictions Counseling	3
Coun 617 Pre-Practicum and Advanced Skills	3
Coun 644 Counseling Children and Adolescents	3
Coun 662 Practicum in Clinical Mental Health Counseling	3
Coun 664 Internship in Clinical Mental Health Counseling	6
Electives	3

School Counseling Specialization

	Credits
Coun 630 Foundations of School Counseling	3
Coun 644 Counseling Children and Adolescents	3
Coun 614 Family Counseling	3
Coun 661 Practicum in School Counseling	3
Coun 663 Internship in School Counseling	6
Electives	3

College Counseling Specialization

	Credits
Coun 626 Foundations of College Counseling	3
Coun 617 Pre-Practicum and Advanced Skills	3
Coun 613 Diagnostic Systems in Counseling	3
Coun 627 College Student Development & College Counseling	3
Coun 628 Issues & Interventions in College Counseling	3
Coun 614 Family Counseling	3
Coun 615 Addictions Counseling	3
Coun 693 Practicum in College Counseling	3
Coun 695 Internship in Counseling	6



Other Academic Requirements

Along with the scholarship aspect of the program, which is the mastery of academic content, the master's program in counselor education requires students to demonstrate competencies in the core competency areas outlined in the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) 2016 Standards.

All master's degree students in the counselor education program are required to pass the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE). Students may retake the CPCE only twice.

Specializations

- [Emphasis - Clinical Mental Health Couns](#)
- [Emphasis - College Counseling](#)
- [Emphasis - School Counseling](#)

