

## Emphasis - Community Counseling

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## M.Ed. in Counselor Education Description

The M.Ed. in counselor education must be completed with either an option in school counseling or community 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 either the option in school counseling or community counseling.

#### Basic Counseling Core

|   | Credits |
|---|---------|
| Coun 601. Lifespan Development                    | 3       |
| Coun 605. Research in Counseling                  | 3       |
| Coun 610. Addictions Counseling                   | 3       |
| Coun 621. Assessment                              | 3       |
| Coun 639. Introduction to Professional Counseling | 3       |
| Coun 643. Group Procedures                        | 3       |
| Coun 670. Multicultural Counseling                | 3       |
| Coun 672. Issues and Ethics in Counseling         | 3       |
| Coun 680. Career Counseling                       | 3       |
| Coun 682. Family Counseling                       | 3       |
| Coun 683. Counseling Theory                       | 3       |
| Coun 690. Counseling Skills                       | 3       |

### 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) 2001 Standards.

All master's degree students in the counselor education program are required to pass the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE). Students will retake the CPCE until they can achieve a passing score.

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The M.Ed. in counselor education/community counseling option requires that students complete a range of program experiences. Graduates of this program are prepared to become community counselors in public and private community settings.

### Course Requirements

Beyond the core course requirements for the M.Ed. program, the community counseling option also requires the following courses:

#### Clinical Mental Health

|  | Credits |
|--|---------|
| Coun 674. Diagnostic Systems in Counseling                         | 3       |
| Coun 688. Counseling Children and Adolescents                      | 3       |
| Coun 685. Org, Admin, and Consultation in Mental Health Counseling | 3       |
| Coun 693. Practicum  | 3       |
| Coun 695. Internship   | 6       |
| Electives  | 6       |

### Degree Requirements

The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.



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|----------------------------------|-------|--|
| <a href="#">Coun 539</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 539</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 570</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 570</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 594</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 594</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 601</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 601</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 605</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 605</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 621</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 621</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 643</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 643</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 672</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 672</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 680</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 680</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 682</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 682</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 683</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 683</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 686</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 686</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 690</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 690</a> with a grade of C or better.   |
| <a href="#">Coun 693</a>         | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 693</a> .  |
| <a href="#">Coun 695</a> - C min | 6     | Complete at least 6 hours of internship ( <a href="#">Coun 695</a> ) with a grade of C or better.  |
| CPC examination                  |       | Student must pass the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination.   |
| GPA requirements                 |       | A cumulative average of not less than 3.0 (B) must be achieved in all graduate work taken.   |
| Engineering Dean's approval      |       | This Degree Audit program is an advising tool only. The student must still apply for a degree by returning a completed Degree Application Form to the dean's office before the last day to add classes in the semester preceding the semester in which the student expects to graduate. The Dean's Office will make the final certification that the courses listed on the application qualify the student for graduation. The Dean's Office will also determine if other university requirements (GPA, etc.) have been met. |
| Select an emphasis               |       | Student must select an emphasis within the M.Ed. in Counseling Education: School Counseling or Community Counseling.   |

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|----------------------------------|-------|---|
| <a href="#">Coun 674</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 674</a> with a grade of C or better.  |
| <a href="#">Coun 685</a> - C min | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Coun 685</a> with a grade of C or better.  |
| Elective courses                 | 6     | Student must complete at least 6 hours of electives. Each course must be approved by the student's GPC/Chair. |

