

M.S. PROGRAM  
IN  
CLINICAL  
OR  
SCHOOL

*Counseling*



Eastern Illinois University



Buzzard Hall: Home of Counseling and  
Student Development

**We Provide  
Dynamic Curricula  
for Students Interested in Obtaining  
Certification as School Counselors,  
Licensed Professional Counselors (LPC), or  
Licensed Clinical Professional Counselors (LCPC)**

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## VISION STATEMENT

Through state-of-the-art technology and facilities, and researched-based training practices, the Department of Counseling and Student Development seeks to become a premier training facility for master's level professional counselors.

## DISTINGUISHED FACULTY

Welcome to the Department of Counseling and Student Development at Eastern Illinois University. This brochure is designed to provide useful information on our graduate degree in Counseling with concentrations in either Clinical or School Counseling. The Master's of Science (M.S.) in Counseling is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). Our concentrations lead to either certification as School Counselors or licensure as Licensed Professional Counselors (LPC) and Licensed Clinical Professional Counselors (LCPC). For more information on what we have to offer and why this program might be right for you, simply peruse this brochure or go online at <http://www.eiu.edu/~csd>. We are ready to assist you in your future in Counseling. Please email or write for more information. Our mission is clear: we are committed to preparing students for professional practice.

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## Curriculum For the M.S. in Counseling

### Required Courses

- CSD 5500 Research Methods
- CSD 5510 Professional Orientation
- CSD 5520 Theories of Counseling
- CSD 5530 Pre-Practicum
- CSD 5600 Cross-Cultural Counseling
- CSD 5610 Human Development for Counselors
- CSD 5620 Group Counseling
- CSD 5630 Practicum
- CSD 5900 Appraisal
- CSD 5920 Career Counseling

### School Counseling Concentration

- CSD 5940 Foundations of School Counseling
- CSD 5945 Management of School Counseling Programs
- CSD 6920 School Counseling Internship

### Clinical Counseling Concentration

- CSD 5930 Foundations of Clinical Counseling
- CSD 5960 Family Counseling
- CSD 5970 Counseling the Chemically Dependent
- CSD 5980 Clinical Diagnosis and Treatment Planning
- CSD 6900 Clinical Counseling Internship



"The Counseling and exhilarating experience are approachable, helpful experience has been in inspiring. I would strongly interested in a counseling

## Learning Goals for the MS in Counseling

**1** Candidates will display the required academic preparation and professional disposition necessary to succeed in the graduate program in Counseling and Student Development.

**2** Candidates will display evidence of skills in the areas of written, verbal, interpersonal, and technological communication.

**3** Candidates will display evidence of critical thinking and problem solving skills by demonstrating the application of theory to practice.

**4** Candidates will display evidence of maintaining professional dispositions, academic rigor, and legal and ethical practice while in the program.

**5** Candidates will display evidence of advanced scholarship through research and/or creative activity.

**6** Candidates will display evidence of content knowledge that meets or exceeds the criteria set forth by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP).

Student Development Program has been an honor for me thus far. The faculty is excellent; they are professional, and very knowledgeable. The educational experience is invaluable: it is hands on, challenging, and I would strongly recommend this program to anyone considering a counseling or student development career.”

Robin Elam, Graduate Student

## Mission Statement

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## Admission Requirements

To be eligible for degree candidacy, applicants must meet all of the requirements for admission to the Graduate School. In addition, students must:

- Submit official scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) to the Graduate School;
- Complete and submit the departmental admission application;
- Submit two departmental recommendation forms from individuals familiar with applicant's academic or work performance. (The department prefers academic reference if possible.)
- Deadline for submitting materials: March 1st;
- Based on application material supplied by departmental deadline, applicants will be screened to determine those who are invited to attend a Pre-Admission/Orientation Interview. Students to be admitted will be chosen from this invited group. If you are not selected for an interview, you may request your file to be held for next year's review.

Admission Requirements for Post Master's students seeking alternative certification as a School Counselor: Post Master's students seeking alternative certification as a School Counselor are required to request a transcript analysis by the department and meet admission requirements listed above.

*(For more details on program requirements, consult the graduate catalog at <http://catalog.eiu.edu>.)*

## Study Plan Approval

The study plan (or sequencing of courses) shall be approved by the student's advisor and filed with the department prior to the completion of 12 semester hours of credit hours which count toward the graduate degree. Coursework presented for transfer credit and coursework taken outside the Department of Counseling and Student Development may be counted as part of the 12 hour requirement. However, the acceptance of transfer coursework is up to the discretion of the student's advisor and program coordinator.

## Degree Requirements

Degree requirements include those outlined for the master's of science degree by the Graduate School. The courses for the Master's of Science in Counseling must total a minimum of 48 semester hours. The plan requires that the student complete those courses identified in this brochure.

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## Graduate Assistantships

Graduate assistantships are available through the Department of Counseling and Student Development. Currently a stipend of approximately \$800 per month for a nine-month contract and tuition (not fees) is waived. In addition to financial aid, graduate assistants are assigned to faculty members to serve as teaching/research assistants. Information on graduate assistantships may be obtained by contacting:

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