

Counseling (School Counseling), MC

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Promote the health of individuals, families, groups and organizations in a diverse society, implement comprehensive school counseling programs, and deliver individual and group counseling within diverse school systems. Through this program, with its strong focus on multicultural counseling across the life span, you'll graduate eligible for counseling licensure in Arizona.

Program description

Degree awarded: MC Counseling (School Counseling)

The mission of the school counseling concentration within the MC program is to prepare students to work with school-age youth in K-12 settings as a school counselor, addressing academic and socioemotional concerns. Graduates of this program hold a School Counselor, PreK-12 Certificate issued by the Arizona Department of Education and become eligible to hold a license in mental health counseling, applied for through the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [College of Integrative Sciences and Arts](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe](#)

Degree requirements

60 credit hours and a written comprehensive exam

Required Core (39 credit hours)

CED 501 Intro to Research and Evaluation in Counseling (3)

CED 522 Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy (3)

CED 523 Psychological Tests (3)

CED 529 Lifespan Human Development (3)

CED 534 Occupations and Careers (3)
CED 545 Assessment and Diagnosis (3)
CED 567 Group Dynamics and Counseling (3)
CED 576 Foundations of Counseling (3)
CED 577 Counseling Practicum (3)
CED 645 Professional Issues and Ethics (3)
CED 671 Multicultural Counseling (3)
CED 672 Couple and Family Counseling (3)
CPY 673 Trauma in Counseling (3)

Concentration (9 credit hours)

CED 510 Introduction to School Counseling (3)
CED 511 Career Development and Advanced Educational Planning (3)
CPY 691 Seminar (3)

Electives (3 credit hours)

Other Requirements (9 credit hours)

CED 680 Practicum: Clinic (3)
CED 684 Internship: Internship in School Counseling (6)

Culminating Experience (0 credit hours)

written comprehensive exam (0)

Admission requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirement of both the Graduate College and the College of Integrative Sciences and Arts.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in psychology or a related field from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

Applicants are required to submit:

- graduate admissions application and application fee
- official transcripts
- personal statement
- two letters of recommendation
- proof of English proficiency

Additional Admission Information

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of their current residency. This program requires a TOEFL score of at least 100 (iBT, taken in a testing center).

The Master of Counseling program requires applicants to submit a two- to three-page personal statement (12 pt. Times New Roman font with 1-inch margins, double-spaced) that indicates their qualifications (e.g., professional experiences and personal attributes) and interest in the program. Specifically, applicants should describe how their education and training, as well as volunteer and professional experiences, inform why they want to pursue the degree. Applicants should also outline how the program will help them meet future career goals. Applicants are expected to discuss their ability to work with and be sensitive to the needs of a multicultural and diverse society, including members of diverse racial and ethnic groups and sexual minority individuals.

Finalists may be invited to submit supplemental materials in support of their application (e.g., video recordings of their responses to a set of questions) and will be provided with more information about this during the review process.

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Application deadlines

Fall

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Career opportunities

Graduates are eligible to work in a variety of school systems (public, private and charter schools) and can provide consultation and counseling services to school systems. This degree can also lead to school-based administrative positions. Graduates with this concentration, using their skill sets in both counseling and administration, are eligible for employment in a variety of settings (e.g., schools, mental health agencies and practices, and consultant agencies) and in varied roles.

Career examples include:

- mental health clinician
- mental health counselor
- school administrator
- school counselor

Professional licensure

ASU programs that may lead to professional licensure or certification are intended to prepare students for potential licensure or certification in Arizona. Completion of an ASU program may not meet educational requirements for licensure or certification in another state. For more information, students should visit the [ASU professional licensure](#) webpage.

This program leads to professional licensure in mental health counseling and a School Counselor, PreK-12 Certificate.

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[Admission deadlines](#)