

# Counseling

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## M.Ed. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 48 or 51 credits

The primary purpose of this program is to prepare counselors at the graduate level with specific training in the areas of counseling and consultation for education, social and career decisions. Completion of this program meets requirements for Alaska licensure as a school counselor. In addition, this program may also serve as a basis for pursuing additional requirements necessary for licensure as a professional counselor (i.e., mental health).

The program emphasizes a developmental perspective, focusing on issues pertinent to providing guidance and counseling services, consultation and program development in multicultural settings.

### Graduate Program—M.Ed. Degree

1. Complete the following admission requirements:
  - a. Applications will be reviewed on March 1 for admission to the fall semester.
  - b. Admission requires a bachelor's degree in a human service area such as education, social work, psychology, human services, etc. Suitability of other degrees will be considered on an individual basis by counseling faculty.
  - c. Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher in their undergraduate major or take the Graduate Record Exam.
  - d. In addition to the admission requirements of the master's degree program, the student must apply for admission to and be accepted by the program area faculty.
2. Complete the general university requirements (page 182).
3. Complete the master's degree requirements (page 186).
4. Complete internship placements appropriate to the student's declared area of interest.
5. Complete the following course requirements:

COUN 615—Foundations of Counseling .....	3
COUN 623—Counseling Theories and Applications I .....	3
COUN 628—Child and Adolescent Development .....	3
COUN 629—Counseling Interventions .....	3
COUN 632—Career Development .....	3
COUN 630—Appraisal for Counselors .....	3
COUN 634—Practicum in Individual Counseling .....	3
COUN 636—Internship I* .....	3
COUN 647—Professional Ethics .....	3
COUN 660—Cross-Cultural Counseling .....	3
COUN 674—Group Counseling .....	3
COUN 690—Internship II* .....	3-9
COUN 698—Research Project (3-6) or COUN 699—Thesis (6) .....	3-6
ED 601—Introduction to Applied Social Science Research .....	3
6. Complete the following classes for school counseling track:

COUN 646—School Counseling .....	3
Elective credits .....	3
7. Complete the following classes for community counseling track:

COUN 638—Advanced Lifespan Development .....	3
COUN 650—Cross Cultural Psychopathology .....	3
COUN 666—Family and Network Therapy .....	3

8. Minimum credits required ..... 48 or 51  
*\*Additional fee required. Charges are added to fee statements each semester. Students pursuing certification in school counseling must complete an Internship in a school setting. K-12 certification requires 6 credits of Internship II: 3 elementary, 3 secondary.*  
*Note: Courses assigned by the student's graduate committee to remove deficiencies will not be allowed as part of the graduate program.*

### School Counselor Certification Program

1. Complete the following admission requirements:
  - a. Application to the licensure only program follows the same admission requirements and procedures as for the M.Ed. in counseling.
  - b. People who currently hold master's degrees in education or one of several helping professions such as social work, psychology, or human services (as approved by counseling faculty) may apply.
2. Complete the following certification requirements:

COUN 615—Foundations of Counseling .....	3
COUN 623—Counseling Theories and Applications I .....	3
COUN 628—Child and Adolescent Development .....	3
COUN 629—Counseling Interventions* .....	3
COUN 632—Career Development .....	3
COUN 630—Appraisal for Counselors .....	3
COUN 634—Practicum in Individual Counseling .....	3
COUN 636—Internship I* .....	3
COUN 646—School Counseling .....	3
COUN 647—Professional Ethics .....	3
COUN 660—Cross-Cultural Counseling .....	3
COUN 674—Group Counseling .....	3
COUN 690—Internship II*,** .....	3-6
3. Minimum credits required ..... 39  
*\* Additional fee required. Charges are added to fee statements each semester.*  
*\*\* K-12 certification requires 6 credits of Internship II, 3 elementary; 3 secondary.*