

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR
College of Natural Science and Mathematics
School of Education Counseling Programs**

STRENGTHS:

- High demand for graduates in schools and healthcare entities in Alaska
- Enrollment is growing
- Focus on skills and rural/cultural awareness necessary for success in Alaska
- CACREP accreditation allows more opportunities for graduates; e.g., DOD and Veteran's Affairs positions and billing as an LPC
- Distance opportunities – half of students are remote
- Flexible schedules - $\frac{3}{4}$ of students are part-time, presumably advancing an existing career
- UAF Community Mental Health Clinic provides remote services and training opportunities for counselors-in-training

WEAKNESSES:

- Growing enrollment and curriculum changes have strained the small number of faculty.
- It is becoming more difficult to maintain the necessary strong mentoring and oversight of students.
- Organizational uncertainty associated with College of Education

OPPORTUNITIES:

- Reworking the curriculum with Indigenous focus could increase enrollment and relevance.
- Placing a faculty member in Anchorage will increase presence in south central population center.

THREATS:

- CACREP accreditation requires three full-time faculty members with Phds in Counselor Education and Supervision, but there is strong competition for people with these qualifications.

CENTRALITY TO MISSION:

This program addresses a critical workforce shortage in Alaska, one that is particularly severe in rural Alaska. The ability to distance deliver to rural areas (half of the students participate remotely), the focus on social equity issues, and the internships are designed to produce graduates familiar with Alaska and prepared for success in these positions.

INDICATORS OF QUALITY:

The program has strong enrollment and shows success in placement of graduates.

COST-EFFECTIVENESS:

SCH

Metric	Detail	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
SCH	COUN - Grad	733	691	684	881	858
SCH	COUN - External	133	179	99	187	356

Majors

Metric	Detail	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Majors	GLI Counseling	5	8	11	15	18
Majors	MED Counseling	71	78	69	79	85

Degrees

Metric	Detail	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Degrees	GLI Counseling	1	3	1	3	4
Degrees	MED Counseling	14	15	6	3	9

FTEs

Metric	Detail	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
FTEs	Adjunct FTEs	2.1	2.5	1.3	2.4	1.5
FTEs	Faculty FTEs	1.9	0.8	2.7	2.7	2.8
FTEs	Staff FTEs	0	0	0	0	0.5
FTEs	Student FTEs	0	0	0.7	0.5	0.4

Expenditures

Metric	Program	Detail	FY20
Instructional Expenditures	SOE Counseling Programs	Unrestricted	484883.9
Salaries and Benefits	SOE Counseling Programs	Unrestricted	468016.8

Counseling MEd

RECOMMENDATION:	ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:	DATE FOR FOLLOW-UP:
Continuation: 7 votes		
Abstain: 1 vote		

School Counseling Post-MA Licensure

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