Mission Statement

The mission of the Counseling (concentration in School Counseling) faculty is to equip the counselor with the knowledge and skill necessary to supply guidance and counseling services in a school setting. The school counselor will be able to provide direct counseling to students; consult with parents, teachers and administrators; act as a liaison between the school and outside agencies; and facilitate classroom guidance activities. The graduate program concentration in school counseling prepares students to be public school counselors and requires 60 semester hours. Students are required to pass a comprehensive exam as a program completion requirement. Texas Counselor certification requires completion of an approved master's degree, two years of teaching experience, and a passing score on the state mandated examination, the TExES test and an internship in a school setting.

*Students who have earned a 3.0 GPA on an undergraduate degree from an accredited university may be automatically admitted to a West College of Education graduate program. Students who have earned less than a 3.0 GPA on an undergraduate degree from an accredited university should submit scores from the GRE ScoreItNow! Students who do not make a satisfactory score on the writing sample, may be required to take an approved writing intensive course and/or seek tutoring from the MSU Writing Center.

Classes

(O) Online | (H) Hybrid (Online / In Person)
EDUC 5053 Introduction to Educational Research (O)
COUN 5103 Professional Orientation (O)
COUN 5403 Introduction to School Counseling (O)
COUN 5213 Human Development and Learning (O)
COUN 5223 Career Development Counseling (O)
COUN 5233 Comprehensive School Counseling Services (O)
COUN 5243 Group Counseling (H)
COUN 5253 Assessment (O)
COUN 5273 Theories and Techniques of Counseling I (O)
COUN 5283 Advanced Counseling Skills (H)
COUN 5293 Practicum in Counseling I (O)
COUN 5303 Ethics and Issues in Counseling (O)
COUN 5363 Multicultural Counseling (O)
COUN 6013 Human Relations (O)
COUN 6043 Graduate Internship (6 hours) (O)
COUN 6023 Counseling Children (O)
COUN 5263 Diagnosis and Treatment Planning* (O)

Plus six (6) semester hours from the following list:
COUN 5343 Introduction to Reality Therapy (O)
COUN 6053 Seminar in Counseling (O)
COUN 5113 Mediation and Conflict Resolution (H)
SPED 5013 Exceptional Individuals (O)

*Students who have taken SPED 5013 (Exceptional Individuals) as an undergraduate will take COUN 5263 (Diagnosis and Treatment Planning). Students who have not taken SPED 5013 as an undergraduate will take it at the graduate level and will not take COUN 5263.

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