

**Admissions Requirements:**  
**Educational Specialist Degree in Counseling (School Counseling concentration),**  
**Division of Counselor Education and Psychology, Delta State University**

- I. All general requirements for admission to the graduate school of Delta State University must be met.
- II. Transcript indicating receipt of a master's degree in Counseling or Counselor Education (school counseling emphasis) with a 3.25 minimum grade point average from a CACREP accredited program or equivalent
- III. MS class AA educator license in School Guidance and Counseling (or equivalent from another state)
- IV. Minimum of two years experience as a professional school counselor
- V. Current employment as a professional school counselor in a public or private school
- VI. Minimal score on a nationally recognized standardized test of verbal/writing skills  
Scores will be consistent with the minimal scores that are currently being used for admission in other Ed.S. programs in Delta State University's College of Education.
  - a. Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) – 3.00
  - b. Graduate Record Exam (GRE) - 370
  - c. Miller's Analogy Test - 30
  - d. Praxis: Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) Writing Test -174
  - e. Praxis: Competency-Based Test (CBT) Writing Test – 320
- VII. Three letters of recommendation: (1) current or former supervisor in the field of education who can address the candidate's professional school counseling qualifications, (2) college instructor who can address the candidate's ability for successful graduate performance in this program, and (3) other professional reference who can address the candidate's professional counseling skills and identity.
- VIII. Curriculum Vita demonstrating leadership and professional counseling identity/involvement
- IX. Academic writing sample