

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Cleveland, Mississippi

Delta State University is a public institution providing a comprehensive undergraduate curriculum. It offers 12 baccalaureate degrees in 38 majors and seeks to meet the need for advanced training in certain fields by providing programs of study for nine master's degrees, the Educational Specialist degree and the Doctor of Education degree.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

The College of Education operates collaboratively with the other colleges and schools in the university, the university staff, and outside agencies to produce professional graduates who will be effective in the field of human learning and services. The College of Education strives for a stimulating, positive environment and provides its students with professional faculty who emulate and model the professional competencies, skills, and dispositions expected of Delta State University graduates from the College of Education.

COUNSELOR EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT

The faculty and staff of the Delta State University Counselor Education Program, through teaching, training, supervision, and experiential activity, develop ethical, competent, and culturally sensitive counselors who are prepared to work in school or community settings. Program faculty seek to strengthen the profession by modeling for students the professional expectation of continued growth and learning, interpersonal awareness, and practical application of sound principles and practices in their work as professional counselors.

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DIVISION OF COUNSELOR EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY

MASTER of EDUCATION in COUNSELING

- Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- School Counseling



Counselor Education Programs

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Delta State offers two excellent graduate programs through the Counselor Education Program; a Master of Education Degree in Counseling with a Clinical Mental Health Counseling emphasis and a School Counseling emphasis. These degree programs are accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) a specialized accrediting body that promotes the advancement of quality counselor education programs. Each faculty member is a Licensed Professional Counselor and a National Certified Counselor; committed to making a professional and academic contribution through active involvement in their professional organizations and personal growth.

The Counselor Education Program emphasizes excellence in instruction by providing a friendly environment, small classes, and opportunities for students to develop intellectually, socially, and professionally. Our students represent a broad range of cultural, socio-economic, and ethnic backgrounds. The small student-faculty ratio provides opportunities for intellectual interaction through formal and informal discussions, professional presentations, creative teaching environments, and a comprehensive support program of advising to enhance students' development and successful completion of their chosen course of study. Faculty members provide a balance of challenge and support through instruction, supervision, and mentoring activities.

The American Counseling Association (ACA) defines counseling as a professional relationship that empowers diverse individuals, families, and groups to accomplish mental health, wellness, education, and career goals. Counselors address wellness, personal growth, social issues, and pathology in a multitude of venues. Our graduates receive an excellent educational and practical foundation to meet and exceed the standards expected of professional counselors.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

■ Clinical Mental Health Counseling

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program is a sixty (60) semester hour Master's Degree that prepares students for employment in the community, private practice, or agency mental health field. This program provides preparation for licensure as a professional counselor (LPC) in the State of Mississippi and certification by the National Board for Certified Counselors (NCC).

"I really meant what I said about Delta State University. It is a little jewel among Counselor Education Programs."

—Samuel Gladding, Ph.D.
Former president of the American Counseling Association (ACA)

■ School Counseling

The School Counseling Program is a sixty (60) semester hour Master's Degree that prepares students in the practice of Professional Counseling to work within a K-12 school environment. It also provides students with the academic preparation necessary for successful completion of the Mississippi School Counselor Assessment Inventory (MSCAI), AA certification in School Counseling through the Mississippi State Department of Education, licensure (LPC), and other national certifications (NCC & NCSC).

■ Delta Sigma Upsilon Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota

This honor society recognizes academic excellence in counseling students and provides opportunities for them to become involved in professional growth and leadership development.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A baccalaureate degree from an institution fully accredited by one of the recognized accrediting agencies.
- An overall undergraduate grade point average of 2.75 or higher on the last 64 hours of required course work.
- Appropriate scores on the CAAP, or equivalent test scores.

PROGRAM OF STUDY

CORE COURSES

(for both School and Clinical Mental Health tracks)

- CED 600 Introduction to Counseling
- CED 601 Counseling Theory
- CED 602 Assessment Techniques in Counseling
- CED 604 Pre-Practicum
- CED 605 Group Counseling
- CED 606 Career Development and Placement
- CED 609 Counseling Practicum
- CED 616 Social and Cultural Counseling
- CED 620 Human Growth and Development
- CED 630 Counseling Skills
- CED 711 Crisis Intervention Techniques
- CED 712 Counseling Children and Adolescents
- CED 635 Methods of Counseling Research and Statistics

CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

REQUIRED COURSES

- CED 610 Clinical Mental Health Counseling Internship
- CED 627 Foundations of Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- CED 703 Psychodiagnostics in Counseling
- CED 715 Marriage and Family Counseling

SCHOOL COUNSELING REQUIRED COURSES

- CED 617 Foundations of School Counseling
- CED 619 School Counseling Internship
- CED 707 Consultation and Counseling of Diverse Populations

COUNSELING ELECTIVES

- EPY 601 Psychology of Learning
- CED 622 Play Therapy
- CED 703 Psychodiagnostics in Counseling
- CED 705 Advanced Group
- CED 707 Consultation and Counseling of Diverse Populations
- CED 713 Sexuality Issues in Counseling
- CED 714 Substance Abuse
- CED 715 Marriage and Family Counseling
- CED 718 Spirituality in Counseling
- CED 770 Special Topics in Counseling