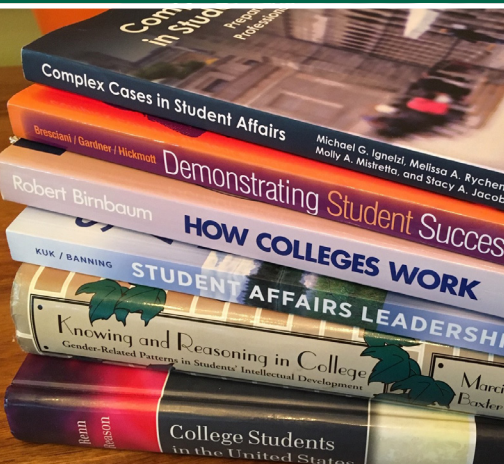


COUNSELING AND DEVELOPMENT COLLEGE COUNSELING CONCENTRATION IN STUDENT AFFAIRS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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DELIVERY METHOD

On-campus in the evenings

START DATE

Fall only

COMPLETION TIME

Three years

NUMBER OF CREDITS

60 credits



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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

We have a unique partnership with the Slippery Rock University Student Counseling Center, which is housed in the Department of Counseling & Development. The Counseling Center serves as a laboratory for learning, offering students in the College Counseling program opportunities to work with, and be mentored by, the Counselors in the Counseling Center. The College Counseling Concentration in the Master of Arts in Student Affairs in Higher Education (SAHE) is a 60 credit-hour program that leads to eligibility for licensure in Pennsylvania as a Professional Counselor (LPC)*. The College Counseling program prepares highly skilled practitioners to provide direct services to students through a variety of college and university offices including a traditional counseling center. This program is a unique blend of training in counseling theory and skills, college student development, and higher education knowledge.

**Candidates completing these programs are eligible to become an LPC in PA after achieving a passing score on the National Counselor Examination. Additionally, candidates must obtain supervised experience, which can begin after the completion of your degree. If you are interested in working in another state, please contact the licensing board in that state.*

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Want a life changing experience that will help you change the lives of others? The College Counseling Concentration is designed to prepare students for leadership positions in a college or university and offers:

- Small class sizes
- Faculty who are engaging, student centered, and highly committed to teaching
- Meets professional standards set by the Council for the Advancement of Standards in Higher Education (CAS)
- Learn to mediate conflict in your personal and professional life
- Learn about trauma informed care and victimology - become a part of the healing process, and empower others to overcome challenges
- Learn how to recognize problematic behaviors in the college student population, assess for threat, and appropriately intervene to keep the campus community safe

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

College Counseling is housed in Slippery Rock University's Department of Counseling and Development which also has three other high quality, hands-on degree programs: Student Affairs in Higher Education, Clinical Mental Health Counseling*, and School Counseling. All faculty in the Department of Counseling and Development draw upon their experience working in their respective fields to provide dynamic learning opportunities for our students.

TUITION AND ASSISTANTSHIPS

Students in the College Counseling program are encouraged to obtain a Graduate Assistantship as these positions provide valuable experiences working on a college campus. As such, faculty in the program assist applicants in navigating the process of obtaining a Graduate Assistantship through our Student Affairs in Higher Education & College Counseling Admitted Student Day.

Information on current tuition and assistantships can be found on the main Graduate Admissions website at www.sru.edu/graduate. Financial Aid brochures are available through the Financial Aid Office www.sru.edu/FinAid or the Office of Graduate Admissions.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit the following materials along with a completed online graduate application and non-refundable application fee:

1. A minimum undergraduate grade point average of 3.0 to be considered for unconditional admission.
2. A written statement indicating interest in the program, experience, and career goals
3. Two academic recommendation forms from a former or current college or university faculty member with knowledge of the applicant's academic aptitude, suitability for intended program area, and ability to form interpersonal relationships.

Selected applicants will be invited for an interview. The priority deadline for applicants seeking Graduate Assistantships is December 1. After this time, applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. The college counseling program has fall start dates only.

**STUDENT AFFAIRS IN HIGHER EDUCATION:
COLLEGE COUNSELING CURRICULUM (60 CREDITS)****Fall Term - Year One (12 credits):**

CDEV 602: Introduction to Student Affairs and College Counseling
CDEV 614: Helping Relationships
CDEV 623: Higher Education Environments and Cultures
CDEV 670: Counseling Theory

Spring Term - Year One (12 credits):

CDEV 608: Ethical & Legal Issues
CDEV 610: Lifespan Development
CDEV 621: Social and Cultural Diversity
CDEV 680: Assessment in Counseling

Summer Term - Year One (3 credits):

Elective

Fall Term - Year Two (9-12 credits)

CDEV 603: Career Counseling and Development
CDEV 612: Group Counseling
CDEV 632: College Student Learning and Development 2
CDEV 638: Foundations of College Counseling

Spring Term - Year Two (12 credits):

CDEV 607: Models of Adaptive Behavior
CDEV 639: Students in American Higher Education
CDEV 707: College Counseling Practicum
Elective

Summer Term - Year Two (3 credits):

Elective

Fall Term - Year Three (6-9 credits):

CDEV 699: Introduction to Research
CDEV 756: College Counseling Internship

Spring Term - Year Three (6-9 credits):

CDEV 756: College Counseling Internship
Elective

The program includes 6 credits of electives which can be taken in any of the semesters indicated above.

PROGRAM OPTIONS

There are two options for pursuing a Master's degree in Student Affairs in Higher Education with College Counseling:

1. Traditional three graduate years
2. 3+3 Program
 - SRU psychology undergraduates only
 - 3 undergraduate years + 3 graduate years

**FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT ACADEMICS AND
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