Admissions Criteria

In addition to the GSU graduate certificate requirements for admission, applicants must:
1. Provide evidence of having completed a master’s degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education in counseling or psychology;
2. Be LPC or LPC eligible; and
3. Have a graduate GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Application Procedure

1. Fill out a Certificate Application online with $50 fee (please write "PMCMH" in the spot that asks for a certificate code).
2. Provide official master’s transcript (minimum GPA 3.0).

Student Progress

The faculty monitors and evaluates student progress continuously. The Counseling Department Faculty and Student Handbook provide a specific description of the standards used to evaluate student progress.

Conditional Continuation

The faculty may permit a student to progress conditionally. In such cases, faculty review of the applicant’s records and performance identifies evidence that the student is likely to be successful in the program. The status of all students permitted to progress conditionally is reviewed by the faculty each semester, and students are informed in writing of the conditions necessary for them to be transferred to good standing status. When conditions are met, the student is transferred to good standing status. Students may not be admitted to the culminating project without achieving good standing status.

Certificate Requirements

Students must meet all university requirements for a certificate. See the internship manual or materials for additional information.

I. Required Preparation/Prerequisite Courses (9 Hours)

COUN 6630 Counseling Theories (3)*
COUN 7810 Beginning Counseling and Human Relations Skills (3)*
COUN 7855 Assessment and Treatment Planning (3)*
*or equivalent courses

II. Clinical Mental Health Counseling Required Certificate Courses (15 Hours)

COUN 7633 Community Counseling (3)
COUN 8842 Practicum I: Individual & Vocational Counseling (3)
COUN 8845 Practicum II: Individual & Vocational Counseling (3)
COUN 8848 Crisis Intervention & Trauma Counseling (3)
COUN 8849 Psychopharmacology & Substance Abuse Counseling (3)

III. Total - minimum of 15 hours

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