MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

School Counseling Program

Students may fully complete Program coursework from the Murray Main Campus and the MSU-Madisonville Campus. Courses are offered in the late afternoons and evenings, with some options for online courses.

- **Master of Arts in Education**: Graduates from the Master’s program meet the academic and experiential qualifications for P-12 School Counseling Provisional Certification in Kentucky. This program consists of a minimum of 48 credit hours, which includes core courses essential to all counselors. Field work includes a 150-clock-hour practicum and 600-clock-hour internship experiences.

- **Specialist in Education**: With the completion of an approved Master’s degree in school counseling, students may choose two options to continue their coursework to earn a Specialist in Education (Ed.S.). The first option is an Ed.S. in School Counseling which consists of 60 credit hours total (including hours from the Master’s degree). This course of study will count towards a rank change. The second option also builds on the 48 credit hour master’s degree in school counseling but results in an Ed.S. in Clinical Mental Health Counseling which leads towards licensure in Kentucky as a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC). This option includes an additional 600 hours of internship in a clinical mental health setting as well as additional clinical mental health courses.

### Course Requirements:

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- ADM 630 Methods of Research
- CNS 617 Introduction to School Counseling
- CNS 619 Foundational Counseling Techniques
- CNS 624 Theories of Counseling
- CNS 635 Human Development
- CNS 671 Multicultural Counseling
- CNS 676 Clinical Diagnosis and Treatment Planning
- CNS 683 Tests and Measurements
- CNS 686 Career Counseling
- CNS 689 Individual Testing
- CNS 692 Group Counseling
- CNS 720 Elementary School Counseling
- CNS 725 Middle/Secondary School Counseling
- CNS 790 Practicum - School Setting
- CNS 794 Internship I - School Setting
- CNS 795 Internship II - School Setting

### Specialist in Education: School Counseling Option

**For Rank Change Only**

- 48 credit hours transferred from MA in School Counseling, plus the following courses:
  - CNS 625 Legal and Ethical Issues
  - CNS 694 Advanced Counseling and Supervision
  - CNS 722 Substance Use and Addictions Counseling
  - CNS 734 Marriage, Couples and Family Counseling

### Specialist in Education: Clinical Mental Health Counseling Option

- 48 credit hours transferred from MA in School Counseling, plus the following courses:
  - CNS 618 Issues in Mental Health Counseling
  - CNS 625 Legal and Ethical Issues
  - CNS 694 Advanced Counseling and Supervision
  - CNS 722 Substance Use and Addictions Counseling
  - CNS 734 Marriage, Couples and Family Counseling
  - CNS 752 Trauma and Crisis Counseling
  - CNS 796 Advanced Internship I – Mental Health Setting
  - CNS 797 Advanced Internship II – Mental Health Setting

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