M.S. in Counseling Program Requirements

Application And Admission
Applicants for admission in CSUB's Student Affairs Program MUST:

1. Complete a Bachelor's degree with a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA from an accredited university (or a minimum 3.0 graduate GPA after 15 or more units completed).

2. Successful completion of an approved undergraduate/graduate course in statistics with a grade of "C" or higher within 7 years of application to program.

3. Satisfy the Graduate Writing Requirement (GWAR) if not a CSU/UC graduate.

4. Submit a Graduate Admission Application to CSUB's Office of Admissions and Records (submitted online at www2.calstate.edu/apply). When filling out the Graduate Application, use code 08261 for "Education/Counseling/Guidance" on Part B.


6. Submit a completed Educational Counseling Program application to the Credentials Office, EDUC 102, California State University, Bakersfield, 22 EDUC - Credentials Office, Attn: Julia Bavier, 9001 Stockdale Hwy, Bakersfield, Ca. 93311-1022

7. Check the status of your university and EDCS program application on myCSUB using your CSUB student ID number (assigned by Admissions and Records).

Year One (25 Units)
Required Courses (Fall)
EDCS 5010: Practicum (4 units)
EDCS 5020: Human Communication Skills (3 units)
EDCS 5040: Introduction to Advocacy in Counseling (3 units)
EDCS 5070: Counseling Across the Lifespan (3 units)

Required Courses (Spring)
EDCS 5030: Social Justice (3 units)
EDCS 5050: Legal and Ethical Issues in Counseling (3 units)
EDCS 5060: Theories (3 units)

Year Two (Unit 21)
Required Courses (Fall)
EDCS 6020: Introduction to Student Affairs (3 units)
EDCS 6050: Career Counseling (3 units)
EDCS 6310: Fieldwork in Student Affairs I (3 units)
EDCS 6330: Comprehensive Exam (3 units)
EDCS 5080: Research in Counseling (3 units)

Required Courses (Spring)
EDCS 6010: Assessment and Evaluation in Counseling (3 units)
EDCS 6070: Group Counseling: Student Affairs (3 units)
EDCS 6320: Fieldwork in Student Affairs II (3 units)

Typical Two-year Course of Study (Full-Time)

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Please Note: Program Requirements may change with new legislation and/or CCTC requirements.
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Master of Science (M.S.) in Counseling
Student Affairs

Program Overview

The Master of Science Degree in Counseling with an emphasis in Student Affairs is designed to prepare effective professional counselors to work in student service positions within community colleges, college, and university settings.

The replace with 46-semester unit program can be completed in as little as two years while attending full-time. The courses include 9 core counseling classes, 2 specialty classes, and a 500-hour field experience lasting one year. All courses for the degree are conveniently offered weekdays after 4:00 pm on the Bakersfield campus.

Extensive field-based experience is woven throughout the curriculum. Examples of practicum and internship placements include: Admissions and Records, Financial Aid, Student Activities, and Residential Life.

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