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Master of Science in Counseling

A selective online program with concentrations in
Applied Behavior Analysis | Mental Health Counseling | Substance Abuse
Designed for learners with demanding schedules, the M.S. in Counseling program at Nova Southeastern University's Center for Psychological Studies combines flexibility and the latest technology to offer you an accessible, quality education. This online program ensures that students already working in the counseling field, and those entering the profession, develop the skills and leadership abilities necessary to deliver optimal services to their clients.

The following concentrations promote student understanding of human behavior:
- applied behavior analysis
- advanced applied behavior analysis
- mental health counseling
- substance abuse counseling
- substance abuse counseling and education
- combine any of the above concentrations

Diversify Your Skills

As an M.S. in Counseling student, you will gain
- the therapeutic skills to effectively and compassionately serve diverse clients at all developmental levels, with multicultural backgrounds, in a variety of counseling settings
- an understanding of your professional identity as a counselor, including your clinical roles, functions, and relationships with other providers
- real-life, supervised counseling experiences
- a strong background in counseling's history, philosophy, ethical standards, and policy issues
- an understanding of the contextual basis for assessment and intervention
- dynamic and comprehensive training in the theoretical conceptualization of sound treatment interventions tailored to your clients' individual needs and goals

Those interested in state licensure or certification should consult state regulations to verify their eligibility.
Curriculum

For a detailed description of course content, a faculty member list, and proposed start dates, visit our Web sites: www.cps.nova.edu or www.nova.edu/counseling.

CORE COURSES

The required core courses (33 credits) provide a broad-based foundation to equip students with the skills necessary to confront a wide range of issues encountered by today's counseling practitioners in a variety of community and private counseling settings.

CONCENTRATIONS

In addition to completing the core courses, students focus the remainder of their studies through concentrations that meet their professional goals and personal interests.

• Advanced Applied Behavior Analysis (15 credits)

This concentration prepares graduates to pursue careers as board certified behavior analysts (BCBA). Study the science and philosophy of applied behavior analysis, the underpinnings of effective teaching strategies, and the field's relation to education and psychology. Learn strategies to enhance the development, abilities, and choices of children and adults with different kinds of disabilities, as well as to augment the performance and satisfaction of employees in organizations. Take nine additional practicum elective credits designed to meet the hours for the BCBA certification and supervision requirements. For national certification information, please visit www.bacb.com.

• Applied Behavior Analysis (9 credits)

Much like Advanced Applied Behavior Analysis, this concentration prepares graduates to pursue careers as board certified associate behavior analysts (BCABA). Take six additional practicum elective credits designed to meet the hours for the BCABA certification requirements as well as the supervision requirements for the Board Certification in Behavior Analysis (BCBA). For national certification information, please visit www.bacb.com.
Mental Health Counseling (27 credits)
This concentration prepares graduates to pursue careers as mental health counselors. Address professional roles, functions, credentialing, and general ethics of mental health counselors. Study in-depth theoretical and technical applications of treatment approaches and issues related to the therapeutic alliance, goal-setting, and outcome evaluation. While receiving your master's degree in mental health counseling, you will train to counsel individuals, couples, families, and groups in a diverse range of settings.

Substance Abuse Counseling (15 credits)
This concentration prepares graduates to pursue careers as substance abuse counselors. Emphasis is placed on federal legislation, state laws, and social action. Study developmental models, dual diagnosis, and other forms of compulsive behaviors and examine the value of establishing proper networks of health care providers and assisting professionals in establishing effective and appropriate treatment plans.

Substance Abuse Counseling and Education (27 credits)
This concentration prepares graduates to pursue careers as prevention education professionals. Examine public policy prevention strategies, treatment philosophies, and the legislative history of rehabilitation. Methods and techniques for intervention, evaluation, and treatment are covered in detail. Students are encouraged to present topics of interest and introduce cases for group discussion.

Combined Concentrations (credits vary)
These multiple concentrations prepare graduates to work in a variety of professional counseling roles. Students take courses and complete practicums required for each track of their choice.
About NSU

As Florida’s largest independent university, and the sixth largest in the United States, Nova Southeastern University has a strong reputation for academic excellence and qualified faculty members dedicated to training, research, and service. NSU offers a variety of degree programs in subjects such as psychology, education, oceanography, computer and information sciences, humanities and social sciences, law, business, medicine and allied health, and undergraduate studies. NSU is well known for innovation and quality in both traditional and distance education. Approximately 98,000 alumni are meeting the challenges of their professions and serving their clients and communities with distinction in a wide range of career fields.

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For more information, return the attached card or call 800-541-6682, ext. 5790.

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Yes, please send me an application and more information on the master of science degree in counseling.

Name
Address
City _______ State _______ ZIP _______
Telephone: Home ( ) Work ( )
Email
Current position
Highest degree earned

I am interested in the following concentration(s):

☑ applied behavior analysis ☑ substance abuse counseling
☑ advanced applied behavior analysis ☑ substance abuse counseling and education
☑ mental health counseling
The Center for Psychological Studies is dedicated to providing the highest quality of education to its students, superior mental health care services to the community, and research contributions to mental health sciences. The center offers two American Psychological Association-accredited doctoral programs (Ph.D. and Psy.D. in clinical psychology); a specialist degree in school psychology; and master's degrees in mental health counseling, school guidance and counseling, clinical psychopharmacology, and counseling. The center also has an APA-accredited predoctoral internship program and sponsors the Consortium Internship Program. Both internship programs are members in good standing of the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC).

The Mailman Segal Institute

The Mailman Segal Institute for Early Childhood Studies (MSI) is a multidisciplinary center that promotes the development of children, families, and educators through direct service programs, family support initiatives, community advocacy, research, and professional training. Located in the Jim & Jan Moran Family Center Village, a state-of-the-art training and demonstration facility, MSI programs include the Parenting Place, the Family Center Infant/Toddler Program, and the Family Center Preschool. The Baudhuin Preschool and Starting Right offer programs for children and families dealing with autism and related disorders. Also housed at MSI is the Autism Consortium, the Interdisciplinary Council for the Study of Autism (ICSA), and the Early Childhood Initiative.
Real-World Training

As a student in the M.S. in Counseling program, you will have the opportunity to train at a practicum site that offers exposure to your areas of professional interest. These valuable, interactive learning experiences provide the most constructive and influential preparation available to future counselors. To find a site best suited to your professional goals and personal needs, we recommend you begin researching practicum opportunities once you secure your admission into the program. Our staff members offer a unique level of support and will approach appropriate sites on your behalf.

Our students have recently conducted practicum training through organizations including hospitals, recovery centers, schools, community mental health agencies, hospices, veteran administrations, correctional facilities, protective agencies, and eating disorder treatment facilities.

Distinguished Faculty

Based on their diverse experience in research and as clinicians, our nationally recognized faculty members are both knowledgeable and inspiring. Our faculty members engage in and support research, participate in academic presentations, and actively practice in the community.

Accessible Technology

This program's coursework is offered through WebCT technology. This online delivery format is user-friendly and allows you to participate on a flexible schedule. Options include real-time chat sessions that encourage lively discussions with your professors and classmates.

Notices of Nondiscrimination and Accreditation

Nova Southeastern University admits students of any race, color, sexual orientation, and national or ethnic origin. The Ph.D. and Psy.D. programs in clinical psychology are accredited by the American Psychological Association. The Psychology Services Center Internship Program is also accredited by the American Psychological Association (Committee on Accreditation, 750 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20002-4242; Telephone number 202-336-5979). Additionally, the Center for Psychological Studies sponsors the Consortium Internship Program, which is a member in good standing of the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC). Nova Southeastern University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, Telephone number: 404-679-4501) to award associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees.
Clinical Psychology (Psy.D. and Ph.D.)
Specialist Program in School Psychology (Psy.S.)
Clinical Psychopharmacology (M.S.)
Mental Health Counseling (M.S.)
School Guidance and Counseling (M.S.)
Counseling (M.S.)*
  Mental Health Counseling
  Substance Abuse Counseling and Education
  Applied Behavior Analysis

Conflict Analysis and Resolution (Ph.D.)**
Family Therapy (Ph.D.)
Marriage and Family Therapy (D.M.F.T.)
Conflict Analysis and Resolution (M.S.)**
Cross-Disciplinary Studies (M.A.)**
College Student Affairs (M.S.)**
Family Therapy (M.S.)

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Conflict Resolution, Peace Studies

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