

Admission Information

- Transcripts from all Universities and Colleges attended
- GRE scores, Verbal, Quantitative and Writing
- Three letters of recommendation from faculty or supervisors
- Personal Statement
- Resume or curriculum vita (List of completed upper division and/ or graduate course work (including grades) related to counseling)
- Writing sample (optional)
- Interview (if requested)

DEADLINE for applications is **February 1**

* Information, application packet, and student handbook are available online at <http://cep.education.nmsu.edu/academic-programs/counseling-guidance-m-a/> or by contacting the CEP office at (575) 646-2121.



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M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program

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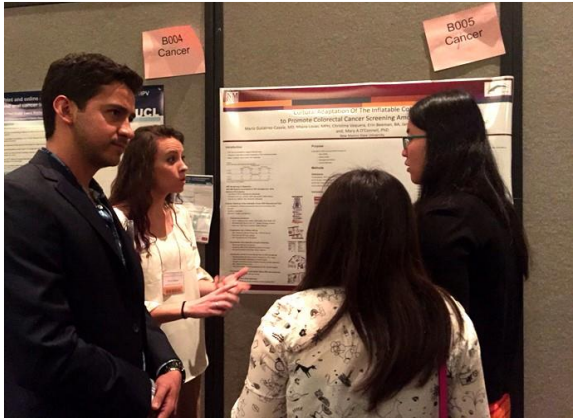


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Program Description

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program is housed in the Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology in the College of Education at New Mexico State University. It is a 60 credit hour program that leads to a Masters of Arts in Counseling.

The program is accredited in Clinical Mental Health Counseling by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). The program curriculum prepares professional counselors to perform mental health counseling in a variety of settings including agencies, hospitals, and private practice. Graduates from the program are eligible to sit for the National Counselor Exam (NCE) and apply for licensure as Professional Counselors.



Course Work

Courses are offered in a block schedule. This means that students proceed through the Program as a cohort, taking course with the same group of students with whom they entered the Program.

Students may complete the program on a full, three-quarter, or half-time basis. All entering students must declare at the time of their application their intention to pursue full-time (24 months), three-quarter-time (30 months), or half-time (36 months) study.

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program maintains low faculty-student ratios, particularly in courses where individual and small-group supervision are offered. Students often complete approximately 1,000 hours of supervised practice while progressing through the program.

Clinical training experiences begin the first semester, with live supervision in the counseling training center, and continue each semester in the community.

Opportunities to pursue research are available through an optional master's thesis and structured independent studies with faculty members. Students may also acquire minors in specialty areas such as Bilingual Counseling and Indigenous Ways of Knowing (IWOK).



MA Program Full-Time Schedule

Sum.

CEP 512- Human Development
CEP 517- Multicultural Counseling

Fall

CEP 542- Appraisal Theory and Technique
CEP 524- Professional Issues in Mental Health Counseling
CEP 550- Counseling Theory and Technique
CEP 551- Diagnosis and Treatment Planning

Spring

CEP 558- Child and Adolescent Counseling
CEP 552- Career/Life Planning and Vocational Assessment
CEP 566- Group Work Theory and Technique
CEP 572- Counseling Practicum

Sum.

CEP 562- Family Therapy Theory and Technique
CEP 556- Addictions Counseling

Fall

CEP 532- Counseling Research
CEP 522- Organization and Administration of School Counseling
CEP 578- Advanced Counseling Practicum

Spring

CEP 580- Counseling Internship
Comprehensive Exam