

Master of Science in School Counseling

This program provides students with theoretical knowledge and training based on standards determined by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Graduates are prepared to be effective school counselors who serve student and families in public and private school communities. By completing extra electives, students may earn an additional certification as a School Psychological Examiner in Missouri. Completion of coursework satisfies specific requirements for a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in Missouri.

Evangel University's Master of Science degree in School Counseling prepares graduates for certification within the State of Missouri. Requirements may differ from state to state. Consult professional requirements within a state of planned practice. The Evangel website also maintains a list of states whose licensing requirements are met by Evangel's Counseling program.

Degree Pathways

Students in this degree program will choose one of two certification pathways: the School Counseling Certification or the School Counseling Certification with additional School Psychological Examiner Certification.

School Counseling Certification Pathway

This pathway consists of 60 total credit hours for students with teacher certification or 69 credit hours for those without teacher certification.

School Counseling Certification with Additional School Psychological Examiner Certification (SPEC) Pathway

Three additional courses are required for the SPEC Pathway: COU 611 Intelligence Testing, COU 613 Diagnostic Assessment, and COU 695 SPEC Practicum.

Students with teaching certification are not required to take COU 504 The Exceptional Student and COU 582 Classroom Management courses. Instead, they take COU 611 and COU 613 to replace those six credits, and then the COU 695 SPEC Practicum for a total of 63 credit hours.

Students without teaching certification take 69 credits with the SPEC.

Upon completion of their SPEC certification requirements, graduates may work as psychological examiners or diagnosticians in school settings working with special education, gifted education, and other specialized programs requiring assessments.

Non-degree seeking students who have a teaching or student services certificate in addition to a master degree in Counseling Psychology, Educational Psychology, School Counseling, or Education, also may seek certification as a school psychological examiner pending transcript reviews.

Program: Graduate Counseling

Type: Master of Science

School Counseling Degree Requirements

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Item #	Title	Credits
COU 500	School Counseling Curriculum	3
COU 503	Human Growth and Development	3
COU 506	Psychodiagnostics	3
COU 507	Research Methods	3
COU 509	School Counseling Foundations	3
COU 510	Residency I	0
COU 511	Residency II	0
COU 512	Professional Relationships in School, Family, and Community	3
COU 521	Professional Orientation and Ethics	3
COU 523	Counseling Skills	2
COU 523	Counseling Skills Lab	1
COU 526	Counseling Theories	3
COU 534	Integration of Christianity and the Counseling Profession	2
COU 590	School Counseling Practicum	3
COU 591	School Counseling Internship I	3
COU 592	School Counseling Internship II	3
COU 604	Career Counseling	3
COU 610	Assessment	3
COU 625	Group Counseling	2
COU 625	Group Counseling Lab	1
COU 627	Social and Cultural Diversity	3
COU 632	Psychology of Education	3
COU 697	School Counseling Professional Capstone	1

Teacher Certification Coursework

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Item #	Title	Credits
COU 504	The Exceptional Student	3
COU 582	Classroom Management	3

Electives

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Students with teaching certification before starting the School Counseling program choose 6 credits of electives to replace COU 504 and COU 582.

Item #	Title	Credits
COU 505	Child and Adolescent Counseling	3
COU 585	Psychopharmacology	3
COU 611	Intelligence Testing	3
COU 613	Diagnostic Assessment	3
COU 645	Best Practices for Telemental Health	1
COU 646	Child and Elder Abuse	1
COU 647	Intimate Partner Violence	1
COU 651	Addiction Counseling	3
COU 675	Human Sexuality	3
COU 695	School Psychological Examiner Practicum	3

SPEC Pathway coursework

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Students who wish to acquire School Psychological Examiner Certification are required to complete three additional courses (9 credits).

Item #	Title	Credits
COU 611	Intelligence Testing	3
COU 613	Diagnostic Assessment	3
COU 695	School Psychological Examiner Practicum	3
Total credits:		60-69