

Counseling MS, School Counseling Emphasis



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Overview

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TEA-Approved Program

Program Highlights:

- ◆ 48 Semester Credit Hours, TEA-Approved Program
- ◆ 100% Online Program (M.S. School Counseling Only)

Program Content:

- ❖ Child and Adolescent Counseling
- ❖ Play Therapy
- ❖ Advanced School Counseling
- ❖ Counseling Theories and Techniques
- ❖ Basic and Advanced Counseling Skills
- ❖ Practicum
- ❖ Career Development
- ❖ Research
- ❖ Assessment
- ❖ And More!

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Admission



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Admission Requirements:

- Minimum GPA: 2.75 overall on a conferred bachelor's degree **OR** 3.0 overall on a conferred master's degree **OR** 3.0 on the most recent 60 hours.
- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution.



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Step 1: Apply to the Graduate School:

- ❖ Complete ApplyTexas.org application
- ❖ Pay \$50 fee

Step 2: Submit Documents:

- ❖ Official transcripts from all institutions
- ❖ Counseling essay (see website for details)
- ❖ Resume or CV
- ❖ GRE scores (waived if overall conferred GPA of 3.0 or higher)
- ❖ Three letters of recommendation

Step 3: Apply to the Certification Office:

- ❖ School Counseling Program TK20 application
- ❖ \$50 application fee and \$35 TEA assessment fee
- ❖ Interview with Department of Counseling
- ❖ Signed formal admission letter after acceptance to program
- ❖ TEA transfer form (if applicable)
- ❖ Additional documents for bachelor's obtained outside the U.S.



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Learning Objectives:

- Students will develop knowledge and skills required for school counselors (Standard I, TAC RULE §239.15).
- Students will apply the knowledge base to promote the educational, personal, social, and career development of the learner as outlined in *The Texas Model for Comprehensive School Counseling Programs* (Standard II, TAC RULE §239.15).
- Students will participate in the development, monitoring, revision, and evaluation of a campus based on *The Texas Model for Comprehensive School Counseling Programs* that promotes learners' knowledge, skills, motivation, and personal growth (Standard III, TAC RULE §239.15).
- The certified school counselor promotes academic success for all learners by acknowledging, respecting, and responding to diversity while building on similarities that bond all people (Standard IV, TAC RULE §239.15).

Requirements to Enter the Program:

- ❖ Bachelor's degree from an accredited university
- ❖ Minimum GPA 2.75 overall
- ❖ Personal statement or Essay
- ❖ Interview
- ❖ A passion for helping others!

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