About School Counseling

Our program prepares students to become professional school counselors within preK-12 schools in Tennessee and most other states. Our students learn about their role as leaders within a data-driven, comprehensive, developmental school counselor program as supported by the the TN Model for School Counseling and the ASCA National Model®.

Applications Due December 1

New cohorts begin each summer

Why Join Us?

Our CACREP accredited program thoroughly prepares you for licensure as a school counselor in TN and most states.

First-hand field experiences in at least 2 settings: elementary, middle, or high school.

Learn in an intimate, cohort-style, on-campus community.

Our expert faculty are professionals who foster an inclusive, engaging climate.

Our Core Values

- Commitment
- Humility
- Openness
- Respect
- Integrity
- Self-Awareness

Reserve your live info session with a faculty member and apply here!
Program Features

Program meets educational requirements for PreK-12 licensure as a School Counselor in Tennessee and most other states.

Full-time students engage in a six semester, cohort-style experience, and graduate in 2 years. (Part-time options available by advisement.)

Three year dual preparation option for those who wish to complete educational requirements for both CMHC and School Counseling.

Students complete practicum and internship placements in a school setting.

Multi-year, 100% pass rate on the PRAXIS.

Multi-year, 100% graduate employment rate.

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Program Objectives

- Graduates will...have foundational knowledge necessary for success as professional counselors.
- Be able to develop therapeutic relationships that are deeply healing, culturally sensitive, developmentally appropriate, and ethical.
- Demonstrate professional dispositions including Commitment, Humility, Openness, Respect, Integrity, and Self-Awareness (CHORIS).
- Be culturally sensitive and ethical advocates for self, clients, and profession...
- Be well-skilled in the full range of tasks needed to coordinate a comprehensive, developmental school counseling program that addresses the academic, career, and social-emotional development of preK-12 students.

Our Faculty