The Online Master of Education in Counseling From William & Mary

Answer Your Calling to Serve Others

The William & Mary Online Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Counseling program emphasizes personal and interpersonal growth, cultural responsiveness and social justice. Through a collaborative approach to coursework and the use of interactive learning environments, the program aligns theory and practice to maximize students' impact as counselors. Whether your intention is to become a licensed professional counselor in clinical mental health or a school counselor, the **CACREP-accredited Online M.Ed. in Counseling from W&M** can help you get there.

Choose a Path

- Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) concentration
- Military and Veterans Counseling specialization within CMHC
- School Counseling concentration

Program Benefits

- Immerse yourself in coursework designed to help prepare you for state licensure and/or certification exams
- Enjoy a flexible online program designed to accommodate your busy schedule • Explore diverse professional environments during required practicum and internship experiences
- Engage with instructors one-on-one and participate in experiential learning activities during two on-campus residencies
- **No GRE score is required for admission**

Online Program Structure

- 60 credit hours
- 17 online courses (51 credit hours)
- Practicum (3 credit hours)
- Internship (2 courses, 6 credit hours)
- Can be completed in as few as 3 years
- Begin classes in January, May or August

Admissions Requirements

- Completed online application form
- **Application fee:** $50*
- Completed **bachelor's degree**
  - **GPA of 3.0 or higher** (on a 4.0 scale) preferred
- **Official transcripts** from all prior institutions attended
- Resume detailing full employment history
- Personal essay (please refer to our key points and guiding questions when writing your essay)
- **3 letters of recommendation** from professional and/or academic references
- **For international applicants:** proof of having successfully passed one of the following:
  - Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), with a minimum score of 100 on the internet version (or comparable, if test is not taken online)
  - International English Language Testing System (IELTS) exam, with a minimum score of 7.0

* Application fee waivers are offered to U.S. service members/veterans, AmeriCorps or Peace Corps participants and Fulbright or McNair scholars. Ask an admissions outreach advisor for more information.

The Curriculum

All course requirements for the degree, including the residencies and practicums, are listed below, and courses must be completed in the order listed.

The curriculum for each of the three degree paths begins with core courses during the first four minimesters.

Minor differentiation in course requirements begins in the fifth minimester for the School Counseling program. Because there are few differences between paths, the courses for the first two years are listed together.

Course requirements diverge more significantly in the third year. Because of these differences, the third-year courses are listed separately for each degree path.

Year 1

EDUC C43	Professional, Ethical, and Legal Issues in Counseling
EDUC C32	Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy
EDUC F09	Human Growth and Development: A Life-Span Perspective
EDUC 624	Theory and Practice of Multicultural Counseling

*Students on the Clinical and Mental Health and Military and Veterans degree paths will take **EDUC C46**. Students on the School Counseling path will take **EDUC C35**.*

EDUC C46	Contemporary Issues in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
EDUC C35	Introduction to Professional School Counseling
EDUC C33	Techniques of Counseling
EDUC C10	Counseling Residency I

Year 2

EDUC 645	The Counselor and Psychopathology
EDUC F67	Psychological and Educational Measurement
EDUC F65	Research Methods in Education
EDUC C34	Group Theory and Techniques
EDUC 627	Marriage and Family Counseling
EDUC C31	Career Development

Practicum

All students are required to complete the two-minimester Counseling Practicum Course. The practicum requires 8-10 hours per week at the practicum site. Learn more about practicum and internship requirements on the FAQ page.

School Counseling Concentration

Due to the difficulty of finding school division placements for field work in summer, practicum and internship semesters are determined by admit term.

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Concentration and Military and Veterans Counseling Specialization

Students will take the practicum in the beginning two minimesters of their third year, in conjunction with one other course per minimester.

EDUC C42	Supervised Practicum in Counseling

Year 3

Course content and sequencing vary significantly for the different concentration/specialization paths during year three, so courses are listed individually by path from here forward. As in the earlier parts of the program, courses must be taken in the order listed.

Clinical Mental Health Counseling

EDUC C44	Addictions Counseling
EDUC C29	Substance Abuse and Society
EDUC 625	Couples Counseling and Sex Therapy
EDUC 636	Addictions and Family Systems
EDUC C47	Supervised Internship in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
EDUC C45	Transpersonal Counseling

Military and Veterans Counseling

EDUC C51	Military Life, Culture and Challenges
EDUC C29	Substance Abuse and Society
EDUC 625	Couples Counseling and Sex Therapy
EDUC C52	Assessment and Treatment of Trauma-Related Disorders
EDUC C47	Supervised Internship in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
EDUC C53	Military-to-Veteran Transition

School Counseling

EDUC 675	Theories & Strategies for Counseling School-Aged Children
CRIN X48	Current Trends and Legal Issues in Educating Special Populations
EDUC C91	Advanced Issues in Professional School Counseling
EDUC C29	Substance Abuse and Society
EDUC C49	Supervised Internship in School Counseling
EDUC 638	Prevention and Intervention within Public Schools

Internship

The internship requires 20 hours per week at the internship site. Learn more about practicum and internship requirements on the FAQ page.

Sociocultural transformations **begin here.**

Interested in becoming a leader in social justice advocacy and guiding others toward their most satisfying and productive futures? Learn more about our CACREP-accredited Online M.Ed. in Counseling program by reaching out to an admissions outreach advisor at **866-870-6966** or counselingonline@wm.edu.