



NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

School of Education

Counselor Education Student Handbook

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North Carolina Central University

Counselor Education Program

*Developing Leaders Who Promote Social Justice and Dedicate Themselves to the
Well-being of the Global Community*

North Carolina Central University

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*Council for Accreditation of
Counseling & Related Educational Programs*



Accreditation

The Career Counseling program at North Carolina Central University is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). The accreditation runs through March 31, 2022.

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling program at North Carolina Central University is accredited by CACREP. The accreditation runs through March 31, 2022.

The School Counseling program at North Carolina Central University is accredited by CACREP. The accreditation runs through March 31, 2022.

Faculty Directory

All full-time faculty hold doctoral degrees. Their areas of specialty and research interests are diverse.

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Organization of the Program

The Counselor Education Program at North Carolina Central University is housed within the Department of Allied Professions and consists of three graduate programs with approximately 30 graduates a year in three specialty areas: clinical mental health, career, and school counseling. In addition, the Program offers four classes in rehabilitation counseling.

COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAM MISSION

The Counselor Education Program prepares counselors to work in mental health, school, and career counseling settings who promote social justice and responsibility, serve as leaders in a diverse and global community, and respond to the complexity of human needs across the lifespan. Faculty is expected to teach and mentor students, serve the community and counseling profession, and promote intellectual advancement through conducting and disseminating research.

COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The program develops counselors who:

1. Develop a theoretically solid philosophy of practice;
2. Apply knowledge, skills, and dispositions consistent with the ACA Code of Ethics;
3. Formulate a professional identity that responds to the needs of their client populations;
4. Utilize cultural competence in practice;
5. Act with expertise in individual, group, and family counseling with diverse clients on personal, social, emotional, career, and educational issues that impact development across their lifespan;
6. Develop leadership ability and advocate to meet client needs and to remove individual and systemic barriers to development;
7. Build and sustain collaborative partnerships with stakeholders for promoting social justice, equity, and access;
8. Utilize appropriate assessment tools and procedures;
9. Consult with others concerning the developmental needs of culturally diverse clients;
10. Integrate research data into evidence-based practice.

Course Numbers and Names

CON 5201	Ethical and Professional Orientation to Counseling
CON 5310	Theories and Techniques of Counseling
CON 5303	Introduction to School Counseling
CON 5304	Advanced School Counseling
CON 5306	Introduction to Substance Abuse Counseling
CON 5307	Crisis, Trauma and Grief Counseling
CON 5310	Theories and Techniques of Counseling
CON 5320	Vocational Theory and Career Development
CON 5321	Introduction to Family Counseling
CON 5325	Advanced Career Counseling
CON 5331	Psychosocial Development and Behavioral Dynamics
CON 5351	Principles and Procedures of Group Counseling
CON 5360	Multicultural and Gender Issues in Counseling
CON 5361	Assessment, Evaluation and Analysis in Counseling
CON 5371	Pre-practicum in Counseling
CON 5372	Supervised Practicum in Counseling
CON 5373	Consultative/Referral Processes in Counseling
CON 5381	Introduction to Mental Health Counseling
CON 5390	Internship in Counseling
EDGR 5910	Introduction to Statistical Methods
EDGR 5920	Procedures in Educational Research
PSYG 5121	Advanced Abnormal Psychology

Advising Process and Procedures

On the plan of study you received at the New Student Orientation you will find the name of the Faculty Advisor you have been assigned from the Counselor Education Program. You will work with this Advisor to set up your plan of study. Midway through each semester you should contact your advisor to pre-register for the next semester. It is critical that you register at the appropriate time since Counselor Education courses have a tendency to reach maximum capacity quickly. After your pre-registration session, your advisor will assign a personal identification number (PIN) to you for registration. This will allow you to register through *Banner*. To do so, go to www.nccu.edu and select “Log in to myEOL.” You will need an NCCU email account and password to log into the system. If you do not have an NCCU email and password, leave the username and password fields blank and select “Login as a student or employee” and select submit. On the Login page select “Login Help.” On the Password Issues page select “Click here to visit the password management website.” Then select “Lookup Account.” You will be asked to provide your Banner Student ID (e.g., 820 . . .), your Banner Student PIN Number and your Last name. Your Banner Student ID is located on the top of your plan of study given to you at the New Student Orientation. Initially your Banner Student PIN Number will be your date of birth. For example, if you were born on June 1, 1980, your Banner Student PIN Number would be 060180. Once you log into “Self-Service Banner” (SSB) you will receive a message that your PIN has expired. You will select a new PIN. Make sure you remember this PIN because you will need this throughout your program of study.

After you log into myEOL, select “Banner SSB.” Select “Student and Financial Aid” followed by “Registration” and then “Add/Drop Classes.” Select the Term you wish to register for and eventually you will be prompted to provide an alternate PIN. The alternate PIN is changed every semester to insure that you and your advisor meet at least twice each academic year. Once you input your alternate PIN you will be taken to the “Add/Drop Classes” menu. Select “Class Search.” You will find Counselor Education courses under “Counselor Education.” Statistics and Educational Research courses will be found under “Educ in Grad and Prof Studies.” Special Education courses are found under “Educ of Exceptional Children.” At times, you may have difficulty registering for a course. For example, you could receive an error message like “Prerequisite Required.” If you have trouble registering for a course email Dr. Moody (emoody@nccu.edu) and include your Banner ID number as well as the course reference number (CRN), course number and section of the class you are trying to take. Copy your advisor on the email so Dr. Moody will know your advisor has approved your course selection.

Registration Advising

It is essential that you communicate with your advisor on a regular basis. You should also look for announcements on the student section of the Program website (www.nccuCounseling.com) at least ***weekly*** so you can remain up to date regarding any information you need.

Registration for any semester begins on the day that Banner opens for students. The registration period is limited to the periods listed on the NCCU Website (www.nccu.edu). You are permitted to enter classes at all times Banner is open. Banner allows students to register online with your pin number. You may also drop or add classes with Banner. Banner allows students to check course availability as well as your account summary.

There is a late registration period that begins just prior to the first days of classes. All students who have not completed registration and paid their bills in full before the first day of classes are charged a late registration fee. Students who have registered but have not completely paid their bills by this date will have their classes dropped, be charged a late registration fee, and must begin registration over again.

A drop/add period begins with the first day of classes and continues for about 9 class days. Classes may not be added after the last day of drop/add period.

Graduate students may take 9 hours without restriction. Students who wish to take more than 9 hours need to have approval from their advisor and the Department Chair. For more information on registration see the graduate catalog.

Full or Conditional Admission

When you were invited to the New Student Orientation you were informed that you were either fully or conditionally admitted into a program of study. If you have been conditionally admitted you have a prerequisite or prerequisites that must be completed by the end of your first semester in the program. Applicants who receive an offer of conditional admission tend to have low GRE scores or a low undergraduate GPA. The admission offer was extended because the admission committee saw promise in you as an applicant and the prerequisite or prerequisites are used as a remedy for the low GRE scores or undergraduate GPA. If you complete the prerequisite in your first semester of study you will be fully admitted into the program. If the prerequisite is a course, a B or better must be earned, and the course cannot be one that has been previously completed. However, applicants who fail to complete the condition or earn a grade of C or below will be dismissed from the program.

Academic expectations and policies

The Counselor Education Program follows the universities policies regarding academic requirements. The University recognizes the grades that follow in the evaluation of the performance of graduate students:

A= Work of superior quality

B= Satisfactory passing work

C= Low passing work

I= Work that has not been fully completed. A grade of I is only given in extreme circumstances. (This does not apply to a thesis. The work must be completed within one year of the grade or the course will have to be repeated for credit.)

W= Represents withdrawal from all courses for the semester

WC= Represents withdrawal from the course

F= Failure

NF= Represents a course in which the student stopped attending classes without officially dropping the class; counts as a failing grade

PR= This is given for thesis enrollment.

AU= Represents audited course

A cumulative GPA of at least a 3.0 is required for graduation.

Satisfactory Progress and Academic Dismissal

When a student's cumulative grade point average falls below a 3.0, he/she is automatically placed on academic probation for up to one calendar year. Failure to raise the cumulative grade point average to 3.0 within one calendar year will result in dismissal from the program.

A student who receives a grade of "F" may not continue in graduate school. A student who receives a grade of "C" is automatically placed on probation. A second grade of "C" results in dismissal from the program. A student who is conditionally admitted who receives a "C" will be dismissed from the program.

Foliotek

Maintaining an electronic portfolio called 'Foliotek' is required for continued enrollment as a degree-seeking student in the School of Education at North Carolina Central University. You **MUST** maintain a Foliotek account while enrolled in school, and you will be required to upload a majority of your assignments to the system. The program will use the information to track data and verify that you have met competencies of your program of study. More importantly, this system will serve as your own professional e-portfolio and file storage.

To enroll go to <http://www.foliotek.com/>. Once you have registered with Foliotek and have access to your Foliotek account, please create a folder for each course that you take. You are encouraged to upload all of your work (future and previous) for each class in its respective folder. Some of it may be used for your required portfolio. At the least, you will have access to all of your work as long as you have access to your online Foliotek account. Each semester you will need to upload documents at the designated time. These documents should be your best work and incorporate your instructors' feedback and/or suggestions. The documents will be part of the official Foliotek portfolio checkout for graduation. A satisfactory portfolio must be presented to the Counselor Education Program faculty prior to your placement in practicum during the Mid-Program Review. As the student continues the program, he/she will continue to upload documents into Foliotek which will be reviewed during the Final Foliotek Defense prior to approval for graduation. See the Program website (www.nccuCounseling.com) for the deadline each semester for submission. Below is the portfolio form that will need to be submitted for graduation approval.

North Carolina Central University
School of Education
Durham, NC 27707

FINAL REPORT ON THE MASTER'S PORTFOLIO

Name _____ Student ID: _____

Major: _____

Comment of Major Satisfactory [] Unsatisfactory []

Quality of Portfolio Satisfactory [] Unsatisfactory []

Defense of Portfolio Satisfactory [] Unsatisfactory []

Portion of Portfolio to be repeated: None []
 All []
 Major []

Date

Advisor

Date

Member of Review Committee

Date

Associate Dean for Graduate Program

Date

Dean of the School of Education

Grade Appeal Policy and Grievance Procedures

A student enrolled in the School of Education who believes that he or she has received an improper grade in a course is accorded due process on this matter. The procedures described in the box that follows must be followed in order for a student to appeal a grade. Any action taken by the student must be taken within 30 days of the end of the term.

NCCU SCHOOL OF EDUCATION ACADEMIC GRADE APPEALS POLICY

APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION FACULTY NOVEMBER 1, 1994

The student grade appeals policy is intended to provide a standardized process for undergraduate and graduate students to resolve instances of alleged unfair or improper treatment in academic matters. The policy seeks to protect students and faculty, while maintaining the integrity of the teaching and evaluation process. The policy strives to be consistent with the university's concern for due process throughout the system of appeals.

APPEAL POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR A FINAL GRADE IN A COURSE

A student enrolled in a course in the School of Education who believes that he/she has received an incorrect or improper final grade in a course will be accorded due process. To appeal this final grade, the student must initiate action within 30 days after the end of the semester in which the grade was earned. To appeal this final grade, the student must follow the steps as outlined, understanding that failure to do so may jeopardize his/her right to appeal.

Step 1. The student must schedule a conference with the concerned faculty member to attempt to arrive at a mutual understanding and resolve differences in an informal, cooperative manner. The student will express the appeal to the instructor clearly and listen to the instructor's rationale for his/her grade assignment. The instructor will provide appropriate documentation relevant to the assignment of the grade in question.

Step 2. If the conference with the instructor does not result in a satisfactory resolution, the student will contact, in writing, the appropriate, Department Chair in the School of Education requesting a conference. This contact must be made within five working days of the conference with the instructor. The Department Chair will listen to the student's argument for the alleged incorrect grade and review the steps of this procedure, should the student choose to file a formal appeal.

The Department Chair will confer with both the concerned student and the concerned faculty member, but the role of the Department Chair in no way is to be construed as that of an advocate for either the student or the instructor. In the case of a student enrolled in a course in the School of Education but having no assigned program or where the Department Chair is the concerned faculty member, Step 2 may be omitted.

Step 3. If the meeting with the Department Chair does not result in a satisfactory resolution, and the student wishes to file a formal appeal, the student will provide a written statement explaining the grievance and requesting an appeal. An undergraduate student will send the written statement to the Assistant Dean and Director of Teaching Education, while a graduate student will send the written statement to the Associate Dean for Graduate Studies. This letter must be received in the appropriate office within five working days of the meeting with the Department Chair. This written statement must include:

1. the name, address, and phone number of the student filing the appeal.
2. the course number, title, section, and dates of the course,
3. the name of the instructor,
4. the reason(s) for the proposed grade change,
5. the date of the meeting with the instructor (Step 1),
6. the date of the meeting with the Department Chair (Step 2), and
7. copies of exams, papers, and/or other relevant materials.

Step 4. After receipt of the student's written statement requesting an appeal, the Assistant Dean or Associate Dean may arrange a meeting of the student, faculty member, and Assistant Dean or Associate Dean within 10 working days of receipt of the statement in an attempt to settle the matter in an informal, cooperative manner.

Step 5. If the meeting in Step 4 does not result in a satisfactory resolution, the Assistant or Associate Dean will forward the student's written request for an appeal, including any supporting evidence and pertinent information, to the Chairperson of the School of Education Academic Appeals Committee (AAC). This action would take place within 5 working days of the meeting in Step 4. The Chairperson of the AAC will call a meeting of the Committee for the purpose of a hearing (to be held within 10 working days after receipt of the student's request for appeal). The AAC Chairperson will notify the student and involved instructor (by email, telephone or registered letter) of this meeting.

Step 6. The Chairperson of the AAC will convene a closed hearing. The student will present the written grievance (Step 3). The instructor will present, in writing, reasons supporting the assigned final grade. Both student and instructor have the option of presenting their statements and documents in writing only, rather than appearing at the hearing in person. Only issues documented in the written statement (Step 3) will be considered at the hearing. After the parties are dismissed (should they choose to attend the hearing,) the AAC shall determine, by majority vote, the outcome of the appeal. The Chairperson of the AAC will provide written notification of the outcome of the AAC's voting, in form of a recommendation, to the Dean.

Step 7. The Dean will make the final decision after receiving the recommendation of the AAC and all prior correspondence related to the appeal. The Dean will provide written notification of the decision to the Chairperson of the AAC, the student, the instructor, the Assistant Dean and Director of Teacher Education or the Associate Dean for Graduate Studies, and the Department Chair.

The Grievance Procedure may be followed if a student wishes to file a grievance about improper treatment. The Grievance Procedure is located in the box that follows and must be filed within 30 days of the incident.

**NCCU SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
GRIEVANCE APPEALS POLICY
APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION FACULTY NOVEMBER 1, 1994**

A student enrolled in a course or using the computer laboratories or other facilities in the School of Education who believes he/she has received incorrect or improper assessment or treatment by a faculty or staff member will be allowed to make an official complaint using the following procedures. To report such an incident, the student must initiate the report within 30 days of said incident.

Step 1. The student is advised to schedule a conference with the involved faculty or staff member to attempt to clarify, arrive at mutual understanding, and resolve the dispute in an informal, cooperative manner.

Step 2. If the conference with the faculty or staff member does not result in a satisfactory resolution, the student will contact, in writing, the Department Chair in the School of Education requesting a conference. A copy of this letter must be sent to the involved faculty or staff member. This contact must be made within 10 working days of the conference with the faculty or staff member. The Department Chair will listen to the student's complaint of inaccurate or improper assessment or treatment and review the steps of this procedure, should the student choose to file a complaint. The Department Chair will confer with both the involved student and the involved faculty member and attempt to mediate the dispute, but the role of the Department Chair in no way is to be construed as that of an advocate for either the student or the faculty or staff member.

In the case of a student enrolled in a School of Education course, but having no assigned department, or where the Department Chair is the concerned faculty or staff member, Step 2 may be omitted.

Step 3. If the meeting with the Department Chair does not result in a satisfactory resolution, and the student wishes to file a formal complaint, the student will provide a written statement explaining the complaint. An undergraduate student will send the written statement to the Assistant Dean and Director of Teaching Education, while a graduate student will send the written statement to the Associate Dean for Graduate Studies. This letter must be received in the appropriate office within 10 working days of the meeting with the Department Chair. This written statement must include:

1. the name, address, and phone number of the student filing the complaint,
2. the name of the faculty or staff member,
3. the nature of the complaint,
4. the date of the meeting with the faculty or staff member (Step 1),
5. the date of the meeting with the Department Chair (Step 2), and
6. copies of pertinent materials.

Step 4. After receipt of the student's written statement, the Assistant Dean or Associate Dean may arrange a meeting of the concerned student, the concerned faculty or staff member, and the Assistant Dean or Associate Dean within 10 working days of receipt of the statement in an attempt to settle the matter in an informal, cooperative matter. If this meeting results in satisfactory resolution, no formal complaint will be recorded and the student's written statement will be returned to the student.

Step 5. If the meeting in Step 4 does not result in satisfactory resolution, the Assistant or Associate Dean will share, within five working days, the student's written complaint with the involved faculty or staff member. The involved faculty or staff member may prepare a rebuttal statement for the official record. The statements of complaint and rebuttal will be filed in both the student's and the faculty or staff member's permanent files within the School of Education.

Step 6. Should either party wish to appeal the action in Step 5, the written statement and a request for a hearing will be directed to the School of Education Academic Appeals Committee (AAC) by the Assistant or Associate Dean. This action must be taken within five working days of the Assistant or Associate Dean's notice in Step 5. Either party must send a copy of such a request to the concerned parties.

The Chairperson of the AAC will call a meeting of the Committee for the purpose of a hearing (to be held within ten working days after receipt of the request for a hearing). The AAC Chairperson will notify the student and involved faculty or staff member (by email, phone or registered letter) of this meeting.

Step 7. The Chairperson of the AAC will convene a closed hearing in which the student or faculty or staff member will present the complaint or defense, including any supporting evidence and pertinent arguments. The other party will be allowed to present arguments supporting the complaint or defense. Both student and instructor have the option of presenting their statements and documents in writing only, rather than appearing at the hearing in person. Only issues alleged or documented in the original written statement (Step 3) will be considered at the hearing. After the parties are dismissed (should they choose to attend the hearing,) the AAC will determine by majority vote the outcome of the appeal. The Chairperson of the AAC will provide written notification of the outcome of the AAC's voting in the form of a recommendation to the Dean.

Step 8. The Dean will make the final decision after receiving the recommendation of the AAC and reviewing all prior correspondence relative to the grievance. The decision will result in the formal complaint and defense either being retained in or omitted from the involved parties' permanent records. The Dean will provide written notification of the decision to the Chairperson of the AAC, the student, the faculty or staff member, the Assistant Dean and Director of Teacher Education or Associate Dean for Graduate Studies, and the Department Chair.

Dispositions

The NCCU Counselor Education Program is committed to admitting, retaining, and graduating students who are a good fit for the nature of the work of being a capable counselor. We have university policies surrounding academic expectations, GPA, and standing in the program. Each student is assigned an academic advisor who will regularly meet with them for academic planning and performance. Sometimes a student might find challenges with being in the role of a counselor. The student may recognize these difficulties or they may receive feedback from faculty and others in the field indicating the counseling role may not be the best career option and fit. We are concerned about the well-being of our students and their readiness to engage in the responsibilities and ethics of counseling. The faculty serves as gate-keepers for the counseling profession, meaning we are ethically bound to discern best fit in terms of attitudes, characteristics, skills, judgment, and dispositions. We assess these non-academic but essential factors from the onset of applicant interest in the program and during the application interview.

In some cases, however, dispositions reveal themselves after admission is granted. Faculty discusses the progress of each student on a regular basis and any concerns are addressed with a plan of action for remediation and re-evaluation. The program also has formal points of review. One critical evaluation occurs at the Mid-Program Review which occurs after Phase I classes are completed and the student is moving from Pre-Practicum into Practicum. This review allows the faculty to endorse students for readiness to engage in field supervision. If the student is not assessed as ready for site placement, a remediation plan is put into action with a written contract specifying what needs to be done and within what timeframe. The advisor serves as the contact person as the action plan unfolds.

It is important that you understand the critical nature of the dispositions factor. As gate-keepers, faculty use best judgment in protecting the public from any questionable characteristic or behavior of a counselor-in-training that could impair professional and ethical service to clients. Faculty will give direct feedback when necessary and will direct the student toward resources that could help the student develop greater fit or redirect his/her career direction. The action plan could include not allowing the student to move ahead into supervised field experience. Faculty works with any student who is assessed to have these kinds of difficulties and options for remediation and remedy are given to the student with an appropriate timeframe before another evaluation is made. If at any time during the student's training with the program faculty receive information about unethical professional behavior or if the student is unwilling to comply with the requirements of the stated remediation plan in order to address fit for service, the student can be dismissed from continuation in the program.

Transfer of Graduate Credit

Up to 12 hours of graduate work from other institutions may be transferred into your program of study upon approval of your Faculty Advisor and the Department Chair. To request that course work be transferred a student must complete the transfer request form in below and submit it with two official transcripts of the coursework to the Department Chair. The course must have been taken within two years and the student must have earned a grade of B or better for the transfer to be considered.

NCCU School of Education Graduate Division

RE: Transfer of Credit(s) for: _____

Banner ID #: _____

Date: _____

I recommend that the courses listed below and the credit hours be transferred. These courses are to be applied to his/her curriculum toward the completion of the Master's program.

Course Title	Date Taken	Credit Hours
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

The course(s) is/are to be used in place of one of our curriculum courses.

Approvals:

Advisor	Date
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Program Coordinator	Date
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Department Chair	Date
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Associate Dean for Graduate Programs	Date
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Extension and Readmissions

Students are given six years from the time they are admitted in their Program to complete the master's degree. If circumstances arise beyond the student's control and he/she is not able to complete the degree, an extension for up to one year may be granted if requested in writing by the student. A student must have been admitted to candidacy and must be able to complete all degree requirements within the year that the extension is granted. Students receiving an extension of time to complete the degree requirements are subject to all program requirements in effect at the time the extension is granted and may be required to retake courses or to take additional courses.

All students who do not meet the extension guidelines or who have not taken courses within the last six years must reapply for admission. An extension request must be made to the Department Chair in writing along with the Special Request form below.

**NCCU School of Education
Graduate Division
Special Requests**

RE: Special Request(s) for: _____

Banner ID #: _____

Date: _____

Request:

Action: _____

Approvals:

Advisor	Date
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Program Coordinator	Date
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Department Chair	Date
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Associate Dean for Graduate Programs	Date
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Course of Study

Graduate programs in Career, Mental Health and School Counseling offer courses leading to the Master of Arts degree in Counselor Education.

Requirements for the Master of Arts in Counselor Education

All three concentrations require a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. All three concentrations have the same required core courses. The core courses are divided into phases indicating the general sequence in which the courses are to be taken. Only Phase 1 courses are available to non-counseling majors.

Core Courses:

	Phase 1		Phase 2		Phase 3
CON 5201	Ethical and Professional Orientation to Counseling	EDGR 5910	Introduction to Statistical Methods	EDGR 5920	Procedures in Educational Research
CON 5310	Theories and Techniques of Counseling	CON 5361	Assessment, Analysis and Evaluation in Counseling	CON 5372	Supervised Practicum
CON 5320	Vocational Theory and Career Development	CON 5373	Consultative/Referral Processes in Counseling	CON 5390	Internship in Counseling
CON 5331	Psychosocial Development and Behavioral Dynamics	CON 5371	Pre-practicum in Counseling		
CON 5360	Cultural Diversity and Gender Issues in Counseling				
CON 5351	Principles and Procedures of Group Counseling (Prerequisites: CON 5201 & CON 5310)				

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CON 5201. Ethical and Professional Orientation to Counseling (3)

This course is designed to provide an understanding of the ethical and professional issues in the field of counseling. Additionally, identity of the professional counselor, the characteristics of an effective counselor, and self-exploration in relation to that role are also examined.

CON 5303. Introduction to School Counseling (3)

This course is an introductory course in the school counseling program and provides an in-depth overview to school counseling at the K-12 level. The class is designed so that students can comprehend the academic, career, and personal/social needs of all K-12 students, including those with special needs. This course is designed to give students an overview of current trends, practices, and policies of school counseling on the local, state, and national levels. Students will examine the American School Counseling National Model as the basis for developing a comprehensive, developmentally appropriate school counseling program in a K-12 setting.

CON 5304. Advanced School Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: CON 5303. This course is an advanced course in school counseling designed for students to learn how to organize and administer a comprehensive, developmentally appropriate school counseling program in a K-12 setting. This course further examines contemporary issues within education, legal and ethical policies in school counseling, cultural competence critical for the diverse/global society, and proactive programming to meet the issues of children and adolescents.

CON 5305. Special Topics: Workshop in Counseling (1-6)

This course involves special workshops and short intensive courses on theory, methods, supervision, and other special topics in counseling.

CON 5306. Introduction to Substance Abuse Counseling (3) This course is designed to provide an overview of substance abuse counseling and psychopharmacology for mental health counselors. Topics discussed include addiction issues, diagnosis, treatment planning and individual and group counseling strategies with diverse populations. Additionally, students will be exposed to the fundamentals of psychotropic medications. Basics of pharmacology, adverse effects, indications, and drug interactions will be discussed. Boundaries of practice and practical issues of assessment and referral will be covered.

CON 5307 Crisis, Trauma, and Grief Counseling (3)

This course will provide specialized instruction for candidates in the Clinical Mental Health Counseling concentration of the Counselor Education Program. Candidates will learn advocacy, consultation, crisis intervention and clinical strategies for assisting clients facing life changes, transitions across the lifespan, and loss and traumatic events.

CON 5310. Theories and Techniques of Counseling (3)

This course provides a comprehensive study of the major approaches to counseling and psychotherapy, the philosophy, theorists, techniques, and research associated with them. Students will develop an initial philosophy of practice and will identify preferred treatment procedures for selected client problems.

CON 5311. Introduction to Rehabilitation Counseling/Case Management (3)

This course provides an examination of the professional roles, ethics, credentials, identity, and context of rehabilitation counseling. The field of rehabilitation is reviewed. The counselor's role in assisting with client social, legal and psychological functioning in the rehabilitation process is examined.

CON 5312. Job Development/Placement (3)

Prerequisites: CON 5320. This course emphasizes the acquisition of the knowledge and skills necessary for counselors to work effectively in the job placement process for individuals with disabilities. Effective informational strategies will be discussed such as job seeking skills, coaching, supported employment as well as educational resources.

CON 5313. Psychological/Social Aspects of Disability (3)

This course emphasizes the theories related to the social and psychological adjustment involved in disability-related issues. This course also reviews cultural diversity issues related to disability.

CON 5314. Medical Aspects of Disability (3)

Basic clinical and medical conditions are presented in this class. The course addresses many areas of specialization related to rehabilitation and provides information related to treatment and diagnoses.

CON 5320. Vocational Theory and Career Development (3)

This course provides a survey of the major theories of career choice and development with demonstrations on how to translate these theories into meaningful practice in the counselor-client relationship. Candidates will demonstrate the ability to use computerized assistance guidance systems and career development techniques across the life span.

CON 5321. Introduction to Family Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: CON 5201 & CON 5310. This course consists of an in-depth study of the history, theory, and practice of family therapy. The focus will be on the understanding of families, therapeutic approaches to working with families, special populations in family therapy, and professional issues in family therapy.

CON 5325. Advanced Career Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: CON 5320. This course will provide specialized instruction for candidates in the Career Counseling concentration of the Counselor Education Program. Candidates will be provided instruction in the foundations of career counseling and the contextual dimensions of career counseling. Knowledge and skill requirements for career counselors will be emphasized, covering the application of career information systems, research and evaluation in career counseling, and ethical and legal issues specific to career counselors.

CON 5331. Psychosocial Development and Behavioral Dynamics (3)

This course provides a focus on the developmental process and the behavioral dynamics of individuals over the life span. Theories of personality and their relevance for client understanding will be explored.

CON 5351. Principles and Procedures of Group Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: CON 5201 and CON 5310. This course provides a study of the dynamics, processes, and functions of group work in counseling. Candidates will identify the therapeutic forces for behavioral change within a counseling group. Students will develop the skills to lead a group and, through participation in a group, will demonstrate their ability for interaction and growth.

CON 5360. Multicultural and Gender Issues in Counseling (3)

This class gives an overview of the knowledge base from the research on multicultural counseling and gender issues as they relate to counselor effectiveness. The course will provide experiential opportunities for awareness enhancement and skill building for practitioners in diverse cultural contexts. Multicultural critical incidents will be examined.

CON 5361. Assessment, Evaluation and Analysis in Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: Phase 1 completion. This class provides an examination of the clinical skills used in client assessment and diagnosis with an overview of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. Experience in selecting, administering, scoring and interpreting tests and other assessment tools commonly used by counselors will be provided.

CON 5363. Advanced Seminar on Special Issues in Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: Phase 1 completion. A consideration of special issues such as legal, ethical, health, addiction, credentialing, marriage and family or other current topics geared to the interests of advanced counseling candidates.

CON 5371. Pre-practicum Counseling Skills (3)

Prerequisites: Phase 1 completion. An opportunity is provided for candidates in all program tracks to learn and demonstrate through micro counseling and video sessions the skills of counseling interviews. Emphasis is

placed on applying techniques through role-playing and practicing skills in classes. This is a practice-oriented course with major emphasis on applying counseling techniques, considering multicultural issues and analyzing counseling style and performance through a reflection and self-evaluation process. Candidates must achieve a grade of B or better in this course before placement in CON 5372 and or CON 5390.

CON 5372. Supervised Practicum in Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: Phase 2 completion and a B or better in CON 5371. Advanced candidates in counseling will participate in a clinical instructional environment under the supervision of a faculty member. Candidates will receive supervision from a faculty member as they obtain individual and group counseling experience. The practicum is a 100-hour field experience in a mental health, career, or school counseling setting.

CON 5373. Consultative/ Referral Processes in Counseling (3)

Prerequisites: Phase 1 completion. This course provides an examination of the theories of consultation and the skills needed in working with parents, families, agencies, and organizations. Opportunities to practice consultation in class and the field will be provided. The development of treatment plans will be discussed as well as procedures and processes for making referrals.

CON 5381. Introduction to Clinical Mental Health Counseling (3)

This class gives students an opportunity to explore the organization and functions of various local, state and federal agencies responsible for community mental health. The student will be able to identify problems peculiar to various mental health agencies and will examine prevention and treatment strategies related to community mental health counseling.

CON 5390. Internship in (Career, School, or Mental Health) Counseling (3-6)

Prerequisites: Phase 2 completion and a B or better in CON 5371 and CON 5372. This class provides an opportunity for advanced candidates in counseling to demonstrate the ability to perform all counseling duties and responsibilities with individuals and groups in their applied sites. The internship is a 600-hour field placement experience.

Additional Requirements

Comprehensive Examination

Students must make a passing score on the Counseling Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE). This examination is a standardized test taken the semester before the student intends to graduate. This examination is established in the academic calendar. Students submit the Application for the Written Examination form to apply to take the CPCE. There is a fee for the CPCE that must be submitted with the application. The application and fee are due by October 1 for the Fall examination and March 1 for the Spring examination.

A student who fails to pass the CPCE may, after a period of one semester, apply for and secure reexamination. Should a second failure occur, a third examination is possible upon recommendation of the program coordinator and a favorable vote from the Graduate Council. If the student's request to take the comprehensive examination is denied, or in the event of a third failure, the student will be dismissed from the program. For more information about the CPCE go to online to www.cce-global.org.

Mid-Program Review

Students must complete the Mid-Program Portfolio Review before they can be placed in practicum. The review will consist of a presentation and examination of the student's work uploaded into Foliotek to that point. During this review, the faculty and student will discuss the student's field placement plans. Should there be any academic, readiness, or disposition concerns, a remediation plan will be discussed.

Practicum Paperwork

Students are eligible to take Supervised Practicum (CON 5372) after they have completed Pre-practicum (CON 5371) with a B or better, completed Phase 1 of the counseling program, and received an endorsement from the faculty after the Foliotek Mid-Program Review. An application must be made to the Field Site Coordinator by October 1 for the Spring and March 1 for the Summer or Fall to take Practicum. The Practicum is a 100 hour experience in a field setting. The student spends 10 hours each week at the site of which 4 hours or more must be spent in direct service activities with clients. Students meet weekly for group and triadic supervision from a faculty member.

Internship Paperwork

The internship is a 600 hour field experience. The student receives group supervision from a faculty member and individual supervision from a qualified site supervisor. Forty percent (240 hours) of the time at the site must be spent in direct services to clients. Students who conduct the entire internship in one semester register for 6 hours of credit. Students may choose to divide the internship across two semesters (3 hours of credit each semester) and conduct 300 hours each semester. An application must be made to the Field Site Coordinator to take Internship.

Portfolio Defense

All degree-seeking students must successfully defend their master's portfolio in order to graduate. The defense is scheduled during your last semester in school. When it is time for your portfolio defense (the semester you graduate), everything from your Foliotek Assessment Portfolio will be under evaluation. As part of the defense process, you are required to present your portfolio to the evaluation committee and to answer questions similar to those asked in a job interview. It is highly recommended that you use the Personal Portfolio tool to create a personal portfolio for your presentation. You will be able to highlight what you consider the most important documents from your Assessment Portfolio.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Graduate Division

Application for Master's Written (Form must be typed and submitted in duplicate)

Name _____ SS# _____

Address _____ Major _____

_____ Admitted to Candidacy _____
(Date)

I hereby make application to take the Master's Written Examination on _____
(Date of Examination)

I have completed the following courses in the Major Field:

Course No	Course Title	Year Taken	Cr	Instructor

I am now taking the following courses in my Major Field

Coordinator

Advisor

Graduate Student NCC Application

Students who pass the CPCE are eligible to take the National Counselor Examination (NCE) through the National Certified Counselor or NCC Application Program. For more information go to the StudentWorks website at www.nbcc.org. Please note that this process is different from licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor in North Carolina, although students may request that their NCE scores be reported to the North Carolina Board of Professional Counselors. For information about how to prepare for the NCE exam go to NBCC's website (<http://www.nbcc.org/examinations>).

Licensed Professional Counselor in North Carolina

The mental health counseling program is designed to prepare students to pursue licensure in North Carolina as Licensed Professional Counselors. Students in this program should become familiar with NCLPC's website (<http://www.ncblpc.org/>).

School Counseling Licensure in North Carolina

The school counseling program is designed to prepare students to pursue licensure in North Carolina as K-12 Licensed School Counselors. Students in this program should prepare to take the Praxis II during their final semester of studies. In addition, immediately upon graduation they will need to submit a licensure application through the School of Education licensure office in order to become licensed in North Carolina.

Endorsement Policy

The Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) states that: "A formal endorsement policy by an academic unit with a CACREP accredited program should stipulate endorsement for employment or credentialing only in the program area in which a student received training." In order to fulfill this requirement, letters of recommendation prepared by the program's faculty members will indicate the program in which each student was enrolled (i.e., career counseling, mental health counseling or school counseling) and will describe the nature of the internship that the individual completed (i.e., setting, population served). In addition, program faculty will only recommend individuals for licenses and certificates for which they are qualified by having met the requisite standards.

Graduate Checkout

A request for degree checkout form must be completed and turned into the registrar prior to the deadline set at www.nccuCounseling.com. The School of Education also has a degree checkout form that must be completed as well. All forms should be submitted electronically to the student's advisor. The Application for "Admission to Candidacy" form must be submitted in the semester before a student plans to graduate (e.g., submit the form in the Fall if you plan to graduate the following May). Turn the form in via email to the advisor before the deadline set at www.nccuCounseling.com. A copy of the form is below and can be found at www.nccuCounseling.com.

North Carolina Central University
School of Education
Division of Graduate Studies

Portfolio Candidate

Name _____ ID# _____ Degree _____

Major _____ Minor _____ Expected Graduation Date _____

Highest Degree Held _____ College _____ Date Awarded _____

Research Topic _____ Thesis _____
Project _____

Date of Completion: Statistics _____

Courses to be Applied Toward Graduate Degree

Course Number	Course Name	Course Credit	Year Completed	Transfer Credit

Minor Courses

Current Address:

Street _____ Signature

City, State, Zip _____ Approved

Application for Candidacy

Portfolio Candidate

The Student's Portfolio Advisor will be _____

Other members of the student's portfolio review committee will be _____

_____.

The student's advisor certifies

_____ (1). That the student has submitted evidence of his/her teaching competencies, Research competencies, and has demonstrated his/her knowledge of various components of effective classroom teaching as supported by Objective and/or subjective tests and observations.

_____ (2). That the student has completed 18 hours of graduate course work in the master's degree program with a 3.0 or higher.

_____ (3). The student has met requirements of attendance, promptness, timely completion of assignments and the university honor code.

This application should follow the channels indicated below:

Approved:

1. _____
(Advisor) Date

2. _____
(Program Coordinator) Date

3. _____
(Chair) Date

4. _____
(Associate Dean) Date

5. _____
(Dean) Date

In addition to the Application for “Admission to Candidacy,” students must also complete the “Application for Graduation” form. A copy of the form can be found at www.nccuCounseling.com.

Approval for Thesis

Students may also complete a thesis. Students can register for up to 6 hours of thesis. However, the maximum credit that can be awarded from thesis is 3 semester hours. Students who complete a thesis satisfactorily will be granted an additional 3 semester hours.

The Graduate Council and the University’s Institutional Review Board must approve a student’s thesis proposal prior the initiation of the project. The completed thesis is defended orally before a thesis committee.

The preparation of the thesis is a research experience. It should show the capacity of the student under guidance of a faculty advisor to accomplish independent investigation, and a mastery of the technique of research. It is not expected or required that the thesis shall in every case be an original contribution to knowledge. The student, in the preparation of the thesis, is concerned with the materials of knowledge and the evidential basis on which the knowledge rests.

The original and three copies of the thesis must be inspected in the Office of Graduate Studies for compliance with the requirements of form and style. The documents must be deposited in the Office of Graduate Studies no later than the date specified in the *Calendar of Events*. At that time, the binding fee should be paid in the Bursar’s office. A copy of the regulations regarding form, style, and physical requirements for the thesis follows.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THESES

I. STYLE

The Graduate Division of the School of Education requires the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, Sixth Edition (2009) (commonly called the APA Manual) as the standard reference for writing theses and projects. All manuscripts of theses and projects must be reviewed in the Graduate Office of the School of Education, Room 206 Taylor Education Building. The inspection deals with style, form, physical requirements, and consistency in following the requirements of the Graduate Division. When projects or theses meet Graduate School guidelines, they are sent to the Registrar’s Office. It is imperative that the manuscripts reach the Graduate Division by the deadline listed on the academic calendar each semester.

The Graduate Division’s requirements are described below and apply to all theses and projects, even if at times they may be at variance with the APA Manual.

II. FORMAT

Preliminaries

A. Title Page -- The title page should bear the following information: (a) the title of the thesis or project; (b) the name of the candidate; (c) the following statement: A thesis (or project) submitted to the Faculty of North Carolina Central University in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Arts (or Master of Education) in the School of Education; (d) at the bottom of the page the words: Durham, 20____; (e) on the right-hand side the words: Approved by, followed by a line for signature. (See the attached example.)

B. Abstract -- The content of the abstract should include a succinct statement of the purpose, two or three summary statements regarding the literature review a brief explanation of the methodology or procedures used to conduct the research, and the major findings or results of the study. The abstract should not exceed 150 words or more than one typewritten page. The title shall be arranged and typed one inch from the top of the page. (See Example 1.)

Example 1

ABSTRACT

JOHN W. JONES. Educators for Diverse Cultural Contexts. (Under the director of DR. WALTER M. BROWN.)

(The summary begins here.)

Note: The names of the author and the professor directing the research are printed in capital letters.

C. Acknowledgements -- Statements of gratitude to persons who assisted you with the completion of your research project or thesis are included in this section. This might include the advisor, subjects used in the study, persons who gave permission to conduct the study, parents for various kinds of support, friends who offered encouragement or support, and/or any other persons the student may wish to acknowledge.

D. Dedication -- The dedication page is optional. However, some students dedicate their thesis or project to a person or persons for various reasons.

E. Table of Contents -- Acknowledgements, Dedication, and List of Tables should be listed here. In addition, the title of each chapter should be identified, along with major or first-order headings and corresponding page numbers. The Bibliography or Reference List and Appendices are also listed in the Table of Contents.

F. List of Tables -- Each table in the paper and corresponding page numbers should be identified by number and title on this page.

III. TEXT

In general, theses or projects have four or five chapters. Consult your advisor for his/her preference. Following is a suggested format:

Chapter 1 -- Introduction

Rationale -- Provide background information about the development of the problem or issue.

Statement of Problem -- State the purpose(s) of your study as succinctly as possible.

Significance of the Study -- Indicate the importance of studying the problem(s) specified. Point out the significance of the information or what the study will reveal. How will the findings impact on or contribute to the field of Education?

Methodology -- Briefly describe the procedures that were used to conduct the research. (This section will be presented in greater detail in Chapter III.)

Definition of Terms -- Define any words or phrases with special meanings (as used in the study) to assist the reader in better understanding the research. The definition of a term may be dependent on your use of the word in your study.

Assumptions (if any) -- In order to complete the study, what assumptions did you make? Assumptions may be phrased in the form of hypotheses or research questions.

Chapter II -- Review of Literature

Search the library and other sources for current books, journal articles, and any other materials related to the topic area. Synthesize and organize this information in a coherent, readable manner. This chapter should be divided into sub-topics as appropriate. All information from written sources should be appropriately referenced using APA style.

Chapter III -- Methodology

Description of Sample -- The subjects used in the study should be described in detail. This might include the number of subjects, age, range, gender, and any other identifying characteristics.

Description of Instrument -- The instrument used to collect the data should be described, including the name and type of instrumentation (questionnaire, etc.), how it was developed, number of items (if appropriate), etc. If a standardized instrument is chosen, reliability and validity information should be included.

Description of Procedure -- The sequence of steps taken to conduct the research study should be described in detail.

Limitations -- Shortcomings of the research study should be specified in this section. Reporting the circumstances related to sampling procedures and/or statistical analysis that may have interfered with the generalizability of the results is an example.

Note: Projects or theses involving units of instruction or manuals should include the complete versions as part of Chapter III. Project or theses involving videotapes should describe them fully in Chapter III. Consult your advisor regarding guidelines for "non-traditional" projects.

Chapter IV - - Presentation and Analysis of Data

Discuss the results of the study in narrative form and, if appropriate, provide tables. Title each table and number tables in sequential order. Discuss any important and/or statistically significant findings. In some cases, findings that are not statistically significant should be discussed.

Chapter V - Summary, Conclusions, and Recommendations

Summarize briefly chapters 1-4. Restate purpose(s); review salient literature; describe the significant findings; draw conclusions; and offer recommendations regarding future related research.

Note: For some projects Chapters III and IV may be combined. Consequently, only four chapters will be included in these projects or theses.

Bibliography

All written sources must be alphabetized (following APA guidelines) and included in this section.

Appendix(es)

Any questionnaires, letters, or other documents important to the development of the paper should be included in this section.

Remember: This is merely a suggested format. Your program area will have additional information for you regarding the project/thesis.

Typing Requirements

All chapter titles designed must be in large Roman numerals and typed in capital letters. Typing must begin on the tenth line from the top of the first page of each chapter. The remaining parts of each chapter must be numbered on the fifth line from the top in the upper right-hand corner.

IV. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

A. Required Copies

The original and three copies of the thesis or project are required. Each copy shall be placed in a 10" X 13" manila envelope. Each envelope shall have a label on the upper left-hand corner bearing the student's name and the title of the thesis or project (with the original labeled "original").

After approval by the advisor, theses and projects are submitted to the Office of Graduate Studies unbound, without staples or perforations in manuscripts in the required envelopes. After inspection, the Office will transmit the approved copies to the Office of the Registrar.

Copies of the thesis or project will be distributed as follows: two copies to the Shepard Memorial Library, one copy to the School of Education, and one copy to the

students. The student copy can be picked up from the Registrar's Office at least one semester after it is submitted to that office.

Note: Before copies are made and your project or thesis has been typed in final form, you must have it checked by the Coordinator of Graduate Programs for style, form and physical requirements.

B. Paper

Twenty lb. bond, 100 percent cotton content, 8½" X 11" paper is required. All four copies must be submitted on the required paper.

C. Pagination of the Text

Arabic numerals must be used to number the pages. These numerals shall begin with page one of the text which bears the number at the bottom of the page, with succeeding page numbers in the upper right-hand corner within the margin line at the right.

D. Type Style

Either elite or pica type may be used, but unusual type styles and smaller or larger sizes are not acceptable. A black ribbon is required. The manuscript must be neat and easily readable with the same typeface used throughout. The manuscript must be proofread accurately, and the errors corrected by the typist. Letter quality computer print may be used. Since a manuscript will not be accepted if the print and size do not conform to the above specifications, a student in doubt should consult the Coordinator of Graduate Studies of the School of Education for guidance.

E. Margins and Spacing

The left margin should be two inches, and one inch at the top, right and bottom of the page must be left. The body of the thesis or project must be double spaced, using only one side of the sheet.

F. Pictures, Tables, Charts, etc.

Illustrations done by hand must be done on the same quality and size paper as the rest of the thesis or project. Margins must be consistent with the graphs and other visual displays. A printed page may face another printed page.

G. Symbols

Special symbols--such as Greek Letters, accent marks, or mathematical signs--must be made in India ink if not available on a typewriter.

H. Bibliography

A bibliography must be appended to the thesis or project. It should list alphabetically by author all references consulted by the student. All citations should be consistent with APA style.

ATTACHMENT 1

EDUCATORS FOR DIVERSE CULTURAL CONTEXTS

by

John B. Jones

A thesis (or project) submitted to the Faculty of the North Carolina Central University in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Arts (or Master of Education) in the School of Education.

Durham

2012

Approved by:

Advisor

FINAL REPORT ON THE MASTER'S THESIS

TITLE OF
THESIS: _____

DATE _____ DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION _____

College Resources

School of Education Computer Lab

The School of Education has a computer lab on the first floor where students have internet access and can conduct work utilizing statistical packages.

University Resources

Counseling Center and Career Services

The University operates a counseling center. Students can go to the Center to receive confidential individual counseling. You may reach the Center by calling 530-7646. The University also provides career services. The Career Center may be reached by calling 530-6337.

Student Health Services

The University operates a health center that provides various services, including urgent care. For appointments and general information call 530-6317. Additionally, the University has an on-site pharmacy that students can utilize. The pharmacy can be reached at 530-6289.

Student ID

The NCCU ID (Eagle Card) is a one-card access to a variety of campus services and facilities, including the library. Students receive a personal Eagle Card as part of the tuition. Eagle Cards can be obtained from the Eagle Card Office located in room 117 of the Lee Biology Building. They can be contacted at 530-7523.

The Eagle Card can also be used to purchase books in the campus bookstore (by having funds from financial aid placed onto the Eagle Card) or to use the book voucher process.

Library Services

As a NCCU Graduate student, you have access to various resources located in the Curriculum Materials Center (CMC) Library, the James E. Shepard Memorial Library, the Music Library, the School of Law Library, and the School of Library and Information Sciences Library. Students also have borrowing privileges from Duke University, UNC-Chapel Hill, and N.C. State through the Triangle Research Libraries Network. Additionally, students have access to a wide variety of electronic databases, including NC Live, to conduct literary reviews and research. These electronic resources are available through web.nccu.edu/shepardlibrary and can be accessed both on and off campus.

The Graduate Student Association

The Graduate Student Association (GSA) is the governing body of North Carolina Central University's graduate students. The organization represents graduate students at formal university sponsored meetings, provides a forum for dialog between graduate students and other campus units, including university faculty and administrators. The GSA also organizes events and programs design to foster intellectual growth and interchange within the graduate community. The GSA office is located in the Students Services Building on the campus of North Carolina Central University.

Contact Info: NCCU Graduate Students Association Office Phone Number: (919) 530-6126

Campus Ministry

United Christian Campus Ministry is an ecumenical ministry provided to the North Carolina Central University for over thirty-five years by more than twelve denominations. United Christian Campus Ministry is for all members of the academic community. It is a means by which students, faculty, and administrative staff of the University may work together in living and expressing their respective religious belief while affirming the given unity of the Christian church and sponsoring a program of common interest for all denominations. The United Christian Campus Ministry encourages individuals to participate in the life and worship of a local church in Durham.

Contact info:

Phone: 560-6380, 560-5263 (c/o Ministry Secretary)

The Learning Resources Center

The Learning Resources Center provides services to faculty, students, staff, and administrative personnel throughout the University. These services are designed to supplement and enhance ongoing academic and non-academic programs in accordance with North Carolina Central Universities' overall mission. The staff of the Center assists educators in developing instructional strategies involving the use of educational technologies.

Safety

Escort Program

The Campus Police Department will provide escorts to the University family at night from one section of the campus to another, when requested. To receive an escort, students must contact the Department at (919)560-6106.

Crime Stopper

The University Police Department is a member of the Durham Police Department's Crime Stopper program. Any information about a crime committed can be reported to the Durham Crime Stoppers Program at (919) 683-1200.

Emergency

Blue light emergency phones are located throughout the campus. These telephones are for use when police assistance is needed. The telephone system provides your location to the University Police as soon as the red button is pushed. This alerts the University Police to respond immediately.

Contact info: (919) 530-5326.

Financial Information

Application Process and Priority Date

Students pursuing a graduate degree must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 to receive financial assistance. The financial aid process begins when a student completes the Free Application

for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This form collects information about you and your family's economic circumstances. Students should file the FAFSA on January 1st to ensure that adequate time is permitted for reprocessing or corrections to meet the April 1st priority date. To expedite the application process, many students apply via the internet by using FAFSA on the Web at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Cost of Attendance

The cost of attendance reflects the maximum amount of financial assistance (grants, scholarships, work assistance, and loans) a student may receive for the enrollment period (a semester, an academic year, or summer term). The cost of attendance is listed on the award notification. In addition to the cost of required fees, the financial aid office considers other living expenses students may incur during the school year. The cost of attendance is the sum of the following:

- Actual tuition and fees or the school's average tuition and fees
- Cost of room and board (or living expenses for students who do not contract with the school for room and board)
- Cost of books and supplies
- Allowance for transportation
- Allowance for miscellaneous expenses

Application Process for Summer School & Priority Dates

Students who are interested in receiving financial assistance during the first, second, and/or dual sessions of summer school must have a valid student aid report on file. The expiration date for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is June 30th. Students receiving financial assistance for the first time during the summer session should closely monitor the deadline date to ensure that the FAFSA is processed before June 30th. The deadline date for the FAFSA appears prior to the start date for the second session of summer school.

In addition to the FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA, students must complete the NCCU Summer School Financial Aid Application, to receive financial assistance for summer school. Applications will be issued with students who are registered for summer school. Therefore, please make sure that you have been advised by the academic advisor and registered for your classes prior to requesting a summer school application. The applications will be available on March 15th.

The types of financial aid available during the summer are Pell Grant, SEOG, Federal Work-Study, Perkins, Stafford Loans, and PLUS Loans. Funds are reserved in SEOG and Perkins to assist students who have exhausted their Pell and Stafford Loan eligibility. These funds are awarded on a first come first served basis and are depleted quickly.

Fellowships

Graduate Work Fellowship positions are available for students pursuing their graduate level degrees. Students generally work up to 24 hours per week in areas related to their program of study

Graduate Tuition Remission

To be eligible for GTR students must render services as teaching assistants, research assistants or office assistants. Students may earn at least \$1,000 per semester through a graduate assistantship, work-study, or university work-aid. The maximum award may not exceed \$10,000 and the minimum award is \$250.

External Scholarships

Each year we learn that over millions of scholarship dollars are unclaimed because students fail to apply for the funds. If assistance is needed with searching for external scholarships, you may complete the NCCU External Scholarship Data Form and visit our computer lab. The most frequently visited websites are listed below:

- www.americanscholars.com
- www.fastweb.com
- www.freescholarships.com
- www.scholarships.com
- www.collegeboard.com
- www.salliemae.com
- www.collegenet.com/mach25
- www.collegequest.com
- www.scholaraid.com
- www.freschinfo.com
- www.wiredscholar.com

Office Location, Hours, Mailing Address

Location - The Office of Scholarships and Student Aid is located in the Student Services Building, 1st floor.

Office Hours - The office is open on Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with extended hours on Tuesday until 7:00 p.m.

P.O. Box 19496, Shepard Station, Durham, NC 27707

Phone Number - (919) 530-5152, 5153, 6202

Fax Number - (919) 530-7959

Professional Organizations

ACA

The American Counseling Association is a not-for-profit, professional and educational organization that is dedicated to the growth and enhancement of the counseling profession. Founded in 1952, ACA is the world's largest association exclusively representing professional counselors in various practice settings

The American Counseling Association offers award-winning, informative publications and scholarly journals that are valuable resources to counseling professionals and those interested in human development. Other benefits, such as the opportunity to gain continuing education units (CEU's), networking opportunities, and professional liability and other insurance programs are just some of the many benefits available to members. To find out more about **ACA** go to www.counseling.org.

ASCA

The American School Counselor Association (ASCA) supports school counselors' efforts to help students focus on academic, personal/social and career development so they achieve success in school and are prepared to lead fulfilling lives as responsible members of society. ASCA provides professional development, publications and other resources, research and advocacy to more than 27,000 professional school counselors around the globe. To find out more about **ASCA** go to www.schoolcounselor.org.

AMHCA

AMHCA is a growing community of almost 6,000 mental health counselors. Together, we make a critical impact on the lives of Americans and give a voice to our profession nationwide. To find out more about **AMHCA** go to www.amhca.org.

NCDA

The National Career Development Association (NCDA) is a founding division of the American Counseling Association (ACA). The mission of NCDA is to promote the career development of all people over the life span. NCDA recognizes NCCU's career counseling program as one of eight programs of excellence in the United States. For more information about **NCDA** go to www.ncda.org.

NCCA/NCSCA

The North Carolina Counseling Association represents diverse interests of its membership through an Executive Council, geographically located members, specialty organizations, and committees. To find out more about NCCA go to www.nccounseling.org. The North Carolina School Counseling Association has the mission to promote excellence in the profession of school counseling and the development of all students. To find out more about NCSCA go to www.ncschoolcounselor.org.

Chi Sigma Iota

Chi Sigma Iota is the international honor society for counselors-in-training, counselor educators, and professional counselors. CSI's mission is to promote scholarship, research, professionalism, leadership and excellence in counseling, and to recognize high attainment in the pursuit of academic and clinical excellence in the field of counseling.

The Society was established in 1985 through the efforts of leaders in the counseling profession whose desire was to provide recognition for outstanding achievement as well as outstanding service within the counseling profession. For more information go to www.csi-net.org or contact Dr. Gwen Newsome.

Appendices

Career Counseling Plan of Study

Name _____

IDN: _____

	Credit Hours	Proposed Year	Completed	Grade
PHASE I				
5201 Ethical & Prof Orient to Counseling	3			
5310 Theories & Techniques	3			
5331 Psychosocial Development	3			
5320 Voc. Theory & Career Dev.	3			
5360 Multicultural & Gender Issues	3			
5351 Group Counseling	3			
Advisor Approved Elective:	3			
PHASE II:				
EDGR 5910 Statistics	3			
5371 Pre-Practicum	3			
5361 Assessment	3			
5373 Consultation	3			
5325 Advanced Career Counseling	3			
PHASE III:				
5372 Practicum	3			
5390 Internship	6			
EDGR 5920 Educational Research	3			
TOTAL HOURS:	48			

Student

Date

Advisor

Student Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Major: _____

Date Admitted _____

Admission Status: _____ Conditions: _____
(Unconditional) (Conditional)

Conditions Met: _____
Date

Admission to Candidacy:

_____ Thesis Proposal Submitted to Advisor _____
(Date)

Comprehensive Exam (s):

Written: _____ Date Applied

_____ Date Taken

_____ Results

Final Forms

_____ Date thesis report signed by advisor (if applicable)

_____ Date admission to candidacy approved by SOE graduate office

_____ Date application for graduation filed with SOE

_____ Date application for graduation filed with registrar

_____ Date thesis defense if applicable

_____ Mid-Program Review

_____ Foliotek Defense

Mental Health Counseling Plan of Study

Name _____

IDN: _____

	Credit Hours	Proposed Year	Completed	Grade
PHASE I				
5201 Ethical & Prof Orient to Counseling	3			
5310 Theories & Techniques	3			
5321 Intro to Family Counseling	3			
5381 Intro to Mental Health	3			
5331 Psychosocial Development	3			
5320 Voc. Theory & Career Dev.	3			
5360 Multicultural & Gender Issues	3			
5351 Group Counseling	3			
5306 Intro to Substance Abuse Counseling	3			
5307 Crisis, Trauma & Grief	3			
PHASE II:				
EDGR 5910 Statistics	3			
5371 Pre-Practicum	3			
5361 Assessment	3			
5373 Consultation	3			
Advanced Abnormal Psychology (PSYG 5121) or Special Topics AP	3			
Advisor Approved/Electives	3			
PHASE III:				
5372 Practicum	3			
5390 Internship	6			
EDGR 5920 Educational Research	3			
TOTAL HOURS:	60			

Student

Date

Advisor

Student Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Major: _____

Date Admitted _____

Admission Status: _____ (Unconditional) _____ (Conditional) Conditions: _____

Conditions Met: _____
Date

Admission to Candidacy:

_____ Thesis Proposal Submitted to Advisor _____
(Date)

Comprehensive Exam (s):

Written: _____ Date Applied

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_____ Results

Final Forms

_____ Date thesis report signed by advisor (if applicable)

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_____ Date thesis defense if applicable

_____ Mid-Program Review

_____ Foliotek Defense

School Counseling Plan of Study

Name _____

IDN: _____

	Credit Hours	Proposed Year	Completed	Grade
PHASE I				
5201 Ethical & Prof Orient to Counseling	3			
5310 Theories & Techniques	3			
5303 Intro to School Counseling	3			
5331 Psychosocial Development	3			
5320 Voc. Theory & Career Dev.	3			
5360 Multicultural & Gender Issues	3			
5351 Group Counseling	3			
PHASE II:				
EDGR 5910 Statistics	3			
5371 Pre-Practicum	3			
5361 Assessment	3			
5373 Consultation	3			
5304 Advanced School Counseling	3			
Advisor Approved/Electives	3			
PHASE III:				
5372 Practicum	3			
5390 Internship	6			
EDGR 5920 Educational Research	3			
TOTAL HOURS:	51			

Student

Date

Advisor

Student Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Major: _____

Date Admitted _____

Admission Status: _____ Conditions: _____
(Unconditional) (Conditional)

Conditions Met: _____
Date

Admission to Candidacy:

_____ Thesis Proposal Submitted to Advisor _____
(Date)

Comprehensive Exam (s):

Written: _____ Date Applied

_____ Date Taken

_____ Results

For school counseling students only: Praxis School Counseling Specialty Exam

Praxis Workshop Completed: _____ (Date)

Prerequisites: All courses and either during or after the internship/practicum

_____ Date Taken _____ Results

Final Forms

_____ Date thesis report signed by advisor (if applicable)

_____ Date admission to candidacy approved by SOE graduate office

_____ Date application for graduation filed with SOE

_____ Date application for graduation filed with registrar

_____ Date thesis defense if applicable

_____ Mid-Program Review

_____ Foliotek Defense