

SCHOOL COUNSELING (M.ED.)

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2023 through summer 2024. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Upon completion of this program plan, initial license/experience, and passing the required assessments, you will be eligible for a Virginia license in this program's area of endorsement. Click here for the advising guide information.

| Code | Title | Hours |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Counseling Courses | | |
| COUC 502 | Human Growth and Development | 3 |
| COUC 504 | Multicultural Counseling | 3 |
| COUC 515 | Research and Program Evaluation | 3 |
| COUC 522 | Career Development and Counseling | 3 |
| Total Hours | | 12 |

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| School Counseling Courses | | |
| COSC 500 | Gate 2/Orientation to School Counseling | 0 |
| COSC 501 | Professional, Ethical, and Legal Issues in School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 505 | Counseling Techniques for School Counseling ¹ | 3 |
| COSC 510 | Theories of School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 512 | Structured Groups ^{2,3} | 3 |
| COSC 513 | Gate 2.5/Practicum Application | 0 |
| Total Hours | | 12 |

¹ COSC 505 is offered in synchronous online format

² COSC 512 is offered in synchronous online format, *after* COSC 505 is completed.

³ A background check will be required

| Code | Title | Hours |
|---|---|-----------|
| School Counseling Advanced Courses | | |
| COSC 521 | Foundations of Exceptionality | 3 |
| COSC 604 | Foundations of Education and School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 611 | Counseling Children and Adolescents in Schools: Social Emotional Development and Exceptionalities | 3 |
| COSC 612 | Advanced School Counseling Interventions | 3 |
| COSC 622 | Assessment and Evaluation in School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 660 | Principles of School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 661 | School Counseling Program Development and Evaluation | 3 |
| COSC 662 | School Counselors as Leaders: Consultation, Collaboration, and Integration | 3 |
| COSC 665 | Crisis Counseling in Schools | 3 |
| Total Hours | | 27 |

| Code | Title | Hours |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Professional Courses | | |
| COSC 690 | Gate 3.0/Internship I Application | 0 |

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--------------------|--|----------|
| COSC 691 | Gate 3.5/Internship II Application | 0 |
| COSC 692 | School Counseling Practicum | 3 |
| COSC 693 | School Counseling Internship I ¹ | 3 |
| COSC 694 | School Counseling Internship II ¹ | 3 |
| Total Hours | | 9 |

¹ One semester of internship must be at the elementary level, and one semester of internship must be at the secondary level

Note:

Take Praxis II Exam: Professional School Counselor, or state equivalent National Counselor Exam (NCE) may be taken during the final semester of the program (NCE is optional. If passed, may lead to National Certified Counselor/NCC).

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 60 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Two courses required in Synchronous Online Format ^{1,2}
- Degree must be completed within 7 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

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² COSC 512 is offered in synchronous online format, *after* COSC 505 is completed

Program Offered in Online Format

Course Sequence

| Course | Title | Hours |
|------------------------|--|-----------|
| First Year | | |
| First Semester | | |
| COSC 500 | Gate 2/Orientation to School Counseling ¹ | 0 |
| COSC 501 | Professional, Ethical, and Legal Issues in School Counseling | 3 |
| COUC 502 | Human Growth and Development | 3 |
| COUC 504 | Multicultural Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 510 | Theories of School Counseling | 3 |
| Hours | | 12 |
| Second Semester | | |
| COSC 505 | Counseling Techniques for School Counseling ² | 3 |

| Course | Title | Hours |
|------------------------|---|-----------|
| COSC 611 | Counseling Children and Adolescents in Schools: Social Emotional Development and Exceptionalities | 3 |
| COSC 604 | Foundations of Education and School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 612 | Advanced School Counseling Interventions | 3 |
| Hours | | 12 |
| Second Year | | |
| First Semester | | |
| COSC 512 | Structured Groups ³ | 3 |
| COUC 522 | Career Development and Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 660 | Principles of School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 661 | School Counseling Program Development and Evaluation | 3 |
| COSC 513 | Gate 2.5/Practicum Application ⁴ | 0 |
| Hours | | 12 |
| Second Semester | | |
| COSC 692 | School Counseling Practicum | 3 |
| COSC 662 | School Counselors as Leaders: Consultation, Collaboration, and Integration | 3 |
| COSC 622 | Assessment and Evaluation in School Counseling | 3 |
| COSC 665 | Crisis Counseling in Schools | 3 |
| COSC 690 | Gate 3.0/Internship I Application ⁴ | 0 |
| Hours | | 12 |
| Third Year | | |
| First Semester | | |
| COSC 693 | School Counseling Internship I ⁶ | 3 |
| COSC 521 | Foundations of Exceptionality | 3 |
| COSC 691 | Gate 3.5/Internship II Application ⁴ | 0 |
| Hours | | 6 |
| Second Semester | | |
| COSC 694 | School Counseling Internship II ⁶ | 3 |
| COUC 515 | Research and Program Evaluation | 3 |
| Hours | | 6 |
| Total Hours | | 60 |

¹ Submit Gate 2 (first semester)

² COSC 505 is offered in Synchronous Online Format

³ COSC 512 is offered in Synchronous Online Format, *after* COSC 505 is completed

⁴ Must be taken in the Fall or Spring semester

⁵ Take Praxis II Exam: Professional School Counselor, or state equivalent (fourth semester)

⁶ One semester of internship must be at the elementary level and one semester of internship must be at the secondary level.

⁷ National Counselor Exam (NCE) may be taken during the final semester of the program (NCE is optional - if passed may lead to National Certified Counselor/NCC)

* Candidates must maintain a 3.0 GPA