

SCHOOL COUNSELING (M.ED.)

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. 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
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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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