COLLEGE COUNSELING AND STUDENT AFFAIRS, MA

The Counseling program is designed for students who aspire to transform schools and communities in the pursuit of social justice through individualized attention to the needs of children, adolescents, and adults. An undergraduate academic major in counseling is not required. Students may choose from degree programs in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, School Counseling, and College Counseling and Student Affairs.

The College Counseling and Student Affairs program is a 61-hour MA degree designed to prepare graduate students to enter the higher education workforce as college counselors and employees in student affairs offices in higher education. Courses are aligned with the national standards of the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Affiliated Educational Programs (CACREP). The degree program is designed to prepare students for career opportunities and advancement in higher education with particular emphasis on positions that serve university and community college students on urban campuses. Special attention is given to working with diverse student populations including returning, minority, and disabled students. The program includes a one-year internship in a student affairs office at a local college or university.

Admission

Students are admitted only for the fall term at the Chicago campus. For priority consideration, the deadline for application is March 1. For regular consideration, the deadline is rolling until two weeks before the start of the fall semester. Applications for all scholarships and graduate assistantships are also due by the priority deadline of March 1.

Applicants must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for the entirety of their undergraduate coursework, a minimum of 120 credit hours at the undergraduate level, a personal statement outlining goals and aspirations, and two letters of recommendation from individuals who can evaluate academic or work abilities. Interviews are by invitation only and are required prior to admission.

Decisions will be based on prior academic performance, current academic performance, the personal statement, letters of recommendation, and an evaluation of professional skills and dispositions.

Students working toward the MA in College Counseling and Student Affairs are required to complete 61 credit hours of graduate study. To qualify for Roosevelt University’s recommendation for the degree, all state and program requirements in effect at the time of application must be met, including all clinical experience requirements and passing scores on the Counseling Preparation Comprehensive Exam and The National Counselor Exam.

All graduate students must maintain a 3.0 GPA in their graduate courses, and no grade below C is acceptable for certification or the MA degree. Only two grades of C are allowed toward the MA degree.

At the time of admission, faculty advisors review transcripts and evaluate all course work completed at other colleges or universities. Advising plans are developed, and any needs, deficiencies, or electives are noted. Each student must confer with his/her assigned advisor before enrolling in the program and during each advising period to ensure that all requirements are being successfully completed.

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Electives-Approved by advisor 6

Total Credit Hours 61-64

Internship experiences and two electives are required of all College Counseling and Student Affairs students. Applications for practicum and internship courses must be submitted one year in advance of placement and are submitted through the Office of Field Placement.

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