

COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

STEPS IN PURSUING A GRADUATE PROGRAM IN COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

I. Complete TWO applications

Application #1 – Apply for admission to the UCA Graduate School (501.450.3124 or <http://uca.edu/graduateschool/admission-process/>).

Application #2 – Apply for admission to the M.S. Program in Counseling Psychology (501.450.3193 or www.uca.edu/psychology/). There are two application deadlines: **March 15th and July 15th** of each year. The completed application will be reviewed by the Counseling Psychology Program Committee, and the student will be informed of admission status by the Program Committee in writing.

- A. Completed application form (**application form must be typed**) and **typed** essay on professional goals and plans.
- B. Fifteen (15) semester hours in psychology, consisting of the following courses: Psychological Statistics, Experimental Psychology (lab not required), Abnormal Psychology, Theories of Personality, and Psychological Tests and Measurement.
- C. Submitted transcripts of all completed college course work.
- D. Submitted Graduate Record Examination scores on the General section.
- E. Three (3) letters of recommendation from former professors or individuals otherwise qualified to comment on your professional and academic potential.

II. Admission to Candidacy

- A. Psychology 6398, Legal & Ethical Issues in Psychology and Counseling, must be satisfactorily completed. After eighteen graduate hours in the area selected are completed satisfactorily, all deficiencies removed, and before completion of thirty semester hours, the graduate student must apply for candidacy.
- B. The department must approve all applications for candidacy.
- C. Continued admission to classes will be contingent on acceptance into candidacy.

III. Comprehensive Examinations must be satisfactorily completed in the semester prior to internship.

Comprehensive Examination Dates:

Fall testing - Second Tuesday in November for students who plan to intern in the spring.

Spring testing - First Tuesday in April for students who plan to intern in the fall.

IV. File an application for graduation. Check catalog for deadline each semester. **It is the graduate student's responsibility to comply with all above regulations.**

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT - Dr. Kevin Rowell at KevinR@uca.edu

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS
Department of Psychology and Counseling

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY
(Please Type)

1. Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)
2. Social Security # _____
3. Phone _____
(Home) (Work)
4. Address _____
(Street or Box) (City) (State) (Zip)
5. When would you like to begin the program? _____
6. Where did you receive your undergraduate degree? Graduate degree if applicable?

<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>MAJOR</u>	<u>INSTITUTION</u>	<u>DATE</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
7. Graduate Record Examinations Scores: Verbal _____ Quantitative _____
8. Request three (3) letters of recommendation from former professors or individuals otherwise qualified to comment on your professional and academic potential.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
9. On a separate sheet, please prepare a **typed** essay (approximately 500 words) of your professional plans (career and/or further graduate studies).
10. Send application materials to Chairperson, Counseling Psychology Program, University of Central Arkansas, 201 Donaghey Ave., UCA Box 4915, Conway, Arkansas 72035-0001.

Materials must be received by **March 15th** or **July 15th** for fall admission. Incomplete folders will **NOT** be reviewed.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Counseling Psychology
Plan of Study and Checklist

This checklist begins with the student's decision to apply for admission to the Counseling Psychology Program (See Graduate Handbook for sequence of admission). Not all courses are offered every semester and the plan must coincide with dates specified in the UCA Bulletin. Six hours may be transferred from another college if approved by the Counseling Psychology Committee.

Prerequisites to Admission (15 hours)

_____ Psychological Statistics _____ Theories of Personality _____ Abnormal Psychology
 _____ Experimental Psychology _____ Psyc Tests and Measurements _____ G.R.E.

Course Requirements for Counseling Psychology

The Counseling Psychology program consists of 60 semester hours of course work including one semester of a full time internship in an approved facility. Consult the graduate Bulletin for course prerequisites.

Required Courses

Category I (Take All)

Category II (Choose 3 of 4)

Category I (Take All)		Category II (Choose 3 of 4)	
Dates		Dates	
Proposed	Taken/Grade	Proposed	Taken/Grade
_____	_____ P6313 Psychoed. Assess. I	_____	_____ P7325 Physiological Psy
_____	_____ P6314 Psychopathology	_____	_____ P7312 Learning & Cognition
_____	_____ P6330 Adv. Statistics	_____	_____ P6363 Adv. Social
_____	_____ P6331 Research Design	_____	_____ P6370 Adv. Developmental
_____	_____ P6350 History of Psychology		
_____	_____ P6379 Personality Assess.		
_____	_____ P6398 Legal & Ethical Issues in Psyc & Coun		
_____	_____ P6642 Internship (3 hrs.)		
_____	_____ C6350 Counseling Process & Skills		
_____	_____ P6354 Theories of Psychotherapy & Counseling		
_____	_____ P6356 Group Psychotherapy & Counseling		
_____	_____ C6381 Practicum I		
_____	_____ C6382 Practicum II		

Category III

Choose 4 (at least one from right-hand column)

Category III		AT LEAST ONE OF THESE:	
Dates		Dates	
Proposed	Taken/Grade	Proposed	Taken/Grade
_____	_____ P5353 Practicum in Behavior Mod.	_____	_____ P6315 App. Beh. Analysis
_____	_____ P6316 Psychopath. Childhood	_____	_____ P6355 Multicultural Issues
_____	_____ P6325 Addiction	_____	_____ P6393 Marital/Family Therapy
_____	_____ P6345 Psy. of the Gifted		
_____	_____ P6361 OR P6362 Problems**		
_____	_____ P6372 Psychopharmacology		
_____	_____ P6375 Professional Sch. Psyc. <u>OR</u>		
_____	_____ P6376 Psychoed. Assess. II		
_____	_____ P6381 Adv. Study of Personality		
_____	_____ P6643 Thesis		
_____	_____ P6335 Ident. & Remed. Of Learning Problems		
_____	_____ C6342 Career Educ./Voc. Development		

**Only three hours of Problems courses may be used in the program.

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Course Sequence

FALL (1)

P6398 Legal & Ethical Issues in Psychology & Counseling
P6354 Theories of Psychotherapy & Counseling
P6330 Advanced Statistics
P6350 History of Psychology

SPRING (1)

P6331 Research Design
P6356 Group Psychotherapy & Counseling
C6350 Counseling Process and Skills
P6314 Psychopathology

SUMMER (1)

Category II elective
Category III elective

FALL (2)

C6381 Practicum I
P6313 Psychoeducational Assessment I
Category II elective
Category III elective

SPRING (2)

P6379 Personality Assessment
C6382 Practicum II
Category II elective
Category III elective
COMPS

SUMMER (2)

Category III elective

FALL (3)

PS6642 Internship

THE STUDENT IS ULTIMATELY RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS/HER PROGRAM OF STUDY!