

COUNSELING AND COUNSELOR EDUCATION, PH.D.

The Ph.D. in Counseling and Counselor Education requires 72 credit hours beyond the master's degree. Because master's-level preparation programs vary, the doctoral program requirements are cumulative from the baccalaureate degree for entering Ph.D. students who have completed a master's degree program at another institution. The doctoral program focuses on developing professional competencies of the student through advanced study of theory and practice of counseling as it relates to research, the behavioral sciences, teaching, and clinical supervision.

For information regarding deadlines and requirements for admission, please see <https://grs.uncg.edu/programs/>.

In addition to the application materials required by The Graduate School, doctoral applicants are required to have graduated from a master's program in counseling or acceptable equivalent that is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs. They also may present evidence of an appropriate degree from an institution accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) Western Association of Schools and Colleges, the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE), the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), or the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC). (CACREP requirements for a master's program are needed; if missing, these are prerequisites for admission.)

Applicants to all graduate counseling programs should have career goals compatible with the selected program and subspecialty. Program standards are competitive and not all applicants may be admitted. The Ph.D. is a 3-year full-time program.

Degree Program Requirements

Required: 72 credit hours

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Professional Core (15 credits)		
CED 756A	Advanced Counseling Theory and Research ¹	3
CED 756B	Advanced Counseling Theory and Research ¹	3
CED 760B	Leadership, Advocacy, and Innovation in Counseling and Counselor Education	3
CED 777C	Seminar in Counseling	3
CED 781A	Clinical Supervision ¹	3
Supervised Practica and Internships (12 credits) ²		
CED 757	Internship in University Teaching in Counseling ³	3
CED 781B	Clinical Supervision Internship	3
CED 780A	Advanced Counseling Internship	6
Research and Assessment (15 credits)		
CED 720A	Research Apprenticeship	3
CED 720B	Research Apprenticeship Internship	3

CED 740	Research Practicum in Counseling	3
CED 777B	Seminar in Counseling	3
CED 777D	Seminar in Counseling	3

Research and Statistics Sequence (9 credits)

Select one three-course sequence (9 credits) from the following: 9

ERM 780 & ERM 781 & ERM 782	Intermediate Statistical Methods in Education and Design and Analysis of Educational Experiments and Multivariate Analysis	
STA 661 & STA 662 & STA 671	Advanced Statistics in the Behavioral and Biological Sciences I and Advanced Statistics in the Behavioral and Biological Sciences II and Multivariate Analysis	

Cognate (9 credits)

Select three courses (9 credits) in Education or the Social and Behavioral Sciences 9

Dissertation (12 credits)

CED 799 Dissertation ⁴ 12

Total Credit Hours 72

¹ CED 653 Practicum in Counseling is a corequisite for CED 781A, but does not count toward the required 72 credit hours for the Ph.D. program.

² Students may enroll in additional semesters of teaching (CED 757) and supervision (CED 781C, CED 781D), assuming successful experience in prior semesters.

³ Enrollment in CED 757 is required each semester a student is teaching CED 274 Stress Management, CED 310 Helping Skills, CED 392 Love, Sex, and Relationships: Skills for Building Satisfying, Healthy Relationships, etc.

⁴ Minimum and maximum, spread over at least two semesters.