Graduate Counseling Programs

Master of Education in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
(Queens, Staten Island)
60 Credits

Master of Education in School Counseling
(Queens, Staten Island)
48 Credits

Master of Education in School Counseling with Bilingual Extension
(Queens)
48 Credits

Advanced Certificate in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
(Queens, Staten Island)
Minimum of 24 Credits

Advanced Certificate in School Counseling
(Queens)
Minimum of 12 Credits
Program Description

There are three CACREP-accredited* master's degree counseling programs at St. John's. The programs in counselor education provide opportunities for graduate students to prepare themselves for leadership positions in counseling in a variety of settings. The programs provide an integrated approach to theory and practice and aim at meeting the professional educational needs of both full-time and part-time students in the urban and suburban environments that the University serves. In addition to the master's degree programs, St. John's also offers an advanced certificate in both the school and clinical mental health counseling areas. These degrees enable students who already have master's degrees in other areas of counseling to qualify in either the school counseling or clinical mental health counseling areas.

Program Benefits

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling degree fulfills the educational requirement of the license to practice as a mental health counselor in New York State. The two additional requirements are 3,000 hours of post-master's experience and a passing grade on the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination. Licensed mental health counselors (LMHCs) can practice independently or work in a variety of clinical settings such as hospitals. Both school counseling degrees meet the New York State requirements for certification as a school counselor in K–12 settings. Graduates can work as professional school counselors.

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Partnership/Placement

St. John's graduate counseling program is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) and has an exceptional faculty who view counseling as a profession as opposed to a job. The faculty and staff are passionate, caring individuals who are focused on the individual student's education and future success. In the counseling program at St. John's, students are not a number, but individuals who deserve personalized attention and individualized learning experiences.

The field placements for the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program include local hospitals and clinics. The field placements for the School Counselor program and the School Counseling Bilingual Extension program include K–12 school settings.

What’s in it for me?

As a graduate student in the counseling program, you receive a personal approach to advisement from dedicated faculty and staff. You gain the knowledge and skill set required to begin a successful career as a professional counselor in either the school or clinical mental health setting.

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