School Counseling (COSC)

Graduate Degree Program
College: Education

Abstract
The graduate programs in Counseling Psychology, School Psychology, and Counselor Education (CoPE) include several distinct areas of specialization that are designed to provide the knowledge and skills needed for practice and scholarship in counseling and related human service professions. These fields are concerned with assisting people individually, in groups, and in organizations to attain their optimal level of personal, social, educational, and career functioning. Graduates are employed in a variety of settings including schools, colleges and universities, mental health agencies, business and industry, government agencies, and other community service and practice facilities. Depending on the specific area of specialization and level of training, program graduates may serve as researchers, educators, supervisors, psychologists, counselors, or program administrators.

Master’s level professional entry-level training is offered in the School Counseling program, which prepares students to become school counselors in elementary, middle, and high school settings. School counselors are leaders, advocates, and systemic change agents who provide individual and group counseling to school-aged children, develop and implement comprehensive developmental school counseling programs, and collaborate with all key stakeholders, including classroom teachers, school administrators, parents, and community members, to ensure the academic, personal-social, and college-career development of students.

The Ph.D. degree is offered in two areas of specialization: Counseling Psychology (in collaboration with the Psychology Department) and School Psychology. Doctoral studies prepare students to achieve exceptional competence in the theory and practice of their field; to develop a high level of skills as researchers, educators and administrators; and to assume positions of leadership in relevant settings. Students in the specialization of Counseling Psychology are prepared to work as researchers, educators, psychologists, and supervisors in such settings as academic departments, college and university counseling centers, and community mental health agencies. Doctoral-level school psychologists serve as researchers, educators, psychologists, and supervisors in such settings as academic departments, college and university counseling centers, and community mental health agencies. Doctoral-level school psychologists serve as researchers, educators, psychologists, and supervisors in such settings as academic departments, college and university counseling centers, and community mental health agencies. Doctoral-level school psychologists serve as researchers, educators, psychologists, and supervisors in such settings as academic departments, college and university counseling centers, and community mental health agencies.

Financial Assistance
Graduate Assistantship is not available at the masters level. However, there are a number of Scholarships offered through the University, and through external sources which may provide tuition support and/or living allowance. Students are encouraged to look for graduate assistantships elsewhere on campus.

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Courses: EDCP

Admissions
General Requirements
- Statement of Purpose
- Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements))

Program-Specific Requirements
- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE)
- CV/Resume

See School Counseling program website for additional information.

For more admissions information or to apply to the program, please visit our Graduate School website: www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions

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**Other Deadlines:** Please visit the program website at http://www.education.umd.edu/CHSE/academics/specialization/SchoolCounseling.html

### Requirements

- School Counseling, Master of Education (M.Ed.) ([https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/school-counseling-cosc/school-counseling-med](https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/school-counseling-cosc/school-counseling-med))

### Facilities and Special Resources

All master's, A.G.S., and doctoral students are required to include supervised fieldwork experiences in their degree programs. The CoPE programs have excellent cooperative relationships with on-campus facilities, such as the Counseling Center and Health Center. Fieldwork may also be done at a wide variety of school systems, colleges and universities, and counseling services and mental health agencies in the Baltimore/Washington metropolitan area, or nationally.

In addition to campus and program resources, students utilize the many major research and professional institutions that are easily accessible to the campus. These include the Library of Congress, the National Library of Medicine, the National Institutes of Health, the Institute of Education Sciences, professional associations such as the American Counseling Association, the American Psychological Association, and the National Association of School Psychologists.

### Faculty

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