Counseling, Family, and Human Services (MEd)

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Professionalism and Ethical Conduct: Students will develop an understanding of professional conduct and ethical standards and will demonstrate an ability to effectively apply their knowledge in clinical practice.
- Scientific Inquiry and Critical Evaluation: Students will develop an ability to critically evaluate the research literature and demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between research results and clinical decision-making.
- Theoretical Foundations: Students will gain an understanding of the core theoretical assertions of couples and family therapy and will critically assess their own systems-oriented theory of change.
- Social Context and Diversity: Students will develop attitudes that value human diversity, will practice culturally sensitive analysis and critical self-awareness when counseling diverse populations, and will demonstrate cultural competence in all professional activities.
- Clinical Application: Students will develop an understanding of the unique systemically oriented assessment and intervention competencies, will apply them effectively in practice, and will critically evaluate their own practice.

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- Students will gain knowledge of couples and family therapy legal, ethical and professional standards and will demonstrate an ability to apply decision-making protocols and strategies in clinical and research contexts.
- Students will investigate and clarify their beliefs and values regarding clinical practice and ethical decision making.
- Students will collaborate effectively with a variety of professionals, including for instance physicians, psychologists, social workers, family law specialists, teachers, school counselors, members of the legal system and clergy.

Scientific Inquiry and Critical Evaluation: Students will develop an ability to critically evaluate the research literature and demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between research results and clinical decision-making.

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- Students will develop an understanding of core principles of quantitative and qualitative research methodology and will demonstrate an ability to critically evaluate the merits of a given study.