

Counselor Education Program Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs (CACREP) Vital Statistics Report 2020-2021

Each year, the Counselor Education Unit shares information about our CACREP-accredited programs in a report known as the Vital Statistics Report. The information contained in this report include: current student enrollment, number of graduates, pass rate on the National Counselor Examination (NCE), job placement rate and demographics. The Counselor Education Unit complied data from the 2020-2021 academic year to create this report and made this information available to current and prospective students, alumni, faculty and administrators.

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) is the largest among the counselor education programs at Western Michigan University. Last year, we received 77 completed applications for the program. There were 32 students who graduated, but we are unable to provide the job placement rate for CMHC graduates because there was a low response rate on the alumni survey. Currently, we have 112 students enrolled in the program and the completion rate was fifty-eight percent. Students in CMHC consistently achieve a high pass rate on the National Counselor Examination (NCE) through the GSA-NCC program. The pass rate for April 2020 and October 2020 was 100% which means every CMHC student who took the NCE in 2020 passed.

Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling Program

The Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling (MCFC) Program had 7 student graduates last year and we are unable to provide the job placement rate for MCFC graduates because there was a low response rate on the alumni survey. There were 22 completed applications submitted for the program last year. Currently, we have 49 students enrolled in the program. MCFC students had the highest completion rate of all the counselor education programs at Western Michigan University. The completion rate for the MCFC program was eighty-one percent. Students in MCFC consistently achieve a high pass rate on the National Counselor Examination (NCE) through the GSA-NCC program. The pass rate for April 2020 and October 2020 was 100% which means every MCFC student who took the NCE in 2020 passed.

School Counseling Program

The School Counseling (SC) is the second largest counselor education program at Western Michigan University. Last year, there were 20 graduates; however, we are unable to provide the job placement rate for SC graduates because there was a low response rate on the alumni survey. The SC program received 31 completed applications last year. Currently, we have 55 students enrolled in the program and the completion rate for the SC program was seventy percent. Many SC students take the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) #51 Guidance Counselor to become highly qualified as school counselors within school settings. Fewer SC students take the National Counselor Examination (NCE) through the GSA-NCC program. There was one SC students who attempted the NCE in October 2020 but did not pass. This year, the Counselor Education Unit changed the School Counseling curriculum to meet requirements for the limited license as a professional counselor in Michigan.

Rehabilitation Counseling Program

Rehabilitation Counseling (RC) Program is a smaller counselor education program at Western Michigan University. Last year, we did not receive any applications for the program and this year admission to the program was suspended for two years. There were 4 RC student graduates and all of them are employed. Although four RC students graduated from the program last year, we were unable to determine the completion rate for this program due to the low enrollment. Currently, there are 3 students enrolled in the program. Few RC students take the National Counselor Examination (NCE) through the GSA-NCC program. Rather, RC students take the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) exam to become certified rehabilitation counselors. The CRCC will not release pass rate data unless 5 or more students take this exam. Therefore, we are unable to provide information about the CRCC and NCE pass rate.

College Counseling Program

In addition to the Rehabilitation Counseling Program, the College Counseling (CC) is another smaller counselor education program. Last year, we received 9 completed applications for the program; however, the Counselor Education Unit decided to close this program. There were 3 students who graduated from the program during 2020-21 and all CC graduates are employed. Currently, we have one student enrolled in the program. The CC program completion rate was sixty percent. Because there were no CC students who took the National Counselor Examination (NCE) through the GSA-NCC program during the 2020-21 academic year, we are unable to report the pass rate for the NCE. However, CC students historically achieved a high pass rate on the NCE like students in the other counselor education programs.

Counselor Education and Supervision Doctoral Program

The Counselor Education and Supervision (CES) Doctoral Program is one of three CACREP-accredited doctoral programs in Michigan. Last year, we received 6 completed applications for the program and there were 4 students who graduated. All four doctoral students are currently employed. Currently, we have 21 students enrolled in the program and sixty percent of doctoral students complete the program. Students in the CES doctoral program along with the master's programs achieve a high pass rate on the National Counselor Examination (NCE) through the GSA-NCC program. The pass rate for April 2020 and April 2021 was 100% which means every doctoral student who took the NCE in 2020 and 2021 passed.

Counselor Education Program Demographics Academic Year 2020-2021

Student Diversity		Faculty Diversity	
Total Number	246	Total Number	9
Women	81.3%	Women	67%
Men	18.7%	Men	33%
African American	11.8%	African American	33%
Asian	1.6%	Asian	11%
Latinx	5.7%	Latinx	0
International	2.4%	Caucasian	56%
Caucasian	75.2%	Other/Multiracial	0
Other/Multiracial	3.2%		