

Community Mental Health Counseling

Admissions Criteria

- A bachelor's degree, preferably in an area related to mental health counseling (e.g., psychology, human development, education, sociology, brain and cognitive science). Preference is given to applicants with a grade point average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.
- A general understanding of the nature of mental health counseling practice.
- A demonstrated interest, based on previous volunteer or paid experience, of work related to helping professions.
- Applicants must display dispositions of health and fitness that will foster healing, growth and change in their clients. Indicators of emotional health and fitness would include the following:
 - Capacity for sound clinical and interpersonal judgment.
 - The ability to deal with critique and conflict in a healthy and productive manner.
 - Reliable completion, even under conditions of stress and emotional challenge, of expected clinical and academic responsibilities.
 - A respect for diversity of beliefs, practices, appearances, and orientations, and a commitment to, and capacity for self-reflection regarding issues related to diversity
 - The ability, even in times of extreme stress, to convey empathy and compassion.
 - A display sound moral and ethical judgment.
 - Avoiding plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty.

It should be noted that with these general criteria/ guidelines in mind, we consider each individual applicant in light of their unique potential to become an excellent professional counselor/ counseling professional.

Matriculation Requirements

1. Admission to an established program within the Warner School
2. Continuous enrollment
3. Evidence of health insurance
4. A transcript, while enrolled in the Warner School Program, that has neither:
 - An E grade (E grades denote failure)
 - Two C grades
5. For full-time students born after 1956, evidence within one month of matriculation that they have received a measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) immunization.