Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Clinical Mental Health Counseling at The University of Mississippi

Program Description
Clinical mental health counselors work with individuals, families, and other groups to treat mental and emotional disorders and to promote mental health. Clinical mental health counselors are trained to assist individuals dealing with a variety of concerns including career goals, wellness issues, depression, addiction and substance abuse, suicidal impulses, stress, grief, and problems with self-esteem.

The objective of the Master of Education in professional counseling curriculum is to prepare students to be professional counselors. The counselor education faculty believes that the development of a strong professional identity, rich knowledge base, and expertise in the skills of counseling are essential to becoming a professional counselor. A priority for the program is to serve the people of Mississippi by providing highly qualified counselors. Our program is 60 hours and includes experiential components including a 100-hour practicum and 600-hour internship. The program is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP).

Career Opportunities
The clinical mental health counseling track qualifies graduates to work in a wide variety of mental health settings including inpatient, outpatient, and private practice. Graduates may choose to work with a specialized population such as children, adolescents, couples, or families.

Online/Regional Campus Options
The program is available to students at the Oxford campus and the Tupelo regional campus.

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Admission Requirements
Admission is competitive for a limited number of seats. The application deadline is March 1. Applicants to the program must:

- Hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution
- Have at least a 3.0 undergraduate grade-point average
- Complete a Graduate School application online, which requires official transcripts and GRE scores (less than 5 years old with verbal, quantitative, and writing-component subscores)
- Upload the following supplemental materials to the Graduate School application:
  - Current resume
  - Statement of purpose
  - Contact information for three references
- Participate in an interview with faculty and current doctoral students

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Students must pass a criminal background check before beginning practicum and internship

**Practicum Hour Requirements:**

| Fall 2 | 100 total hours onsite = 40 hours direct + 60 hours indirect |

**Internship Hour Requirements:**

| Spring 2 | 300 hours per semester = 120 hours direct + 180 hours indirect |
| Summer 2 | 300 hours per semester = 120 hours direct + 180 hours indirect |

**Application Deadline for Graduate Degree:**

Complete a GS 8-Application for Graduate Degree Form. The deadline to do this is near the beginning of each Fall, Spring, or Summer semester and is announced on the University’s Academic Calendar and on the myOleMiss main page. This form requires the signature of the program coordinator or department chair. You will then be authorized to complete step 2.