



University of Missouri–St. Louis  
**The Graduate School**

**Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Counseling**

**Degree Program**

A minimum of 48 credit hours, including a 600 clock-hour clinical field experience. Students must take Cns Ed 6000, Personal and Professional Development in Counseling, in their first semester. M.Ed. applicants are accepted only on a provisional basis pending their completion of Cns Ed 6000 and a review by the Counseling Faculty Review Board.

Students pursuing a degree leading to certification as a professional school counselor in the state of Missouri must take four additional education courses above the 48 hours required for the degree. Students who elect the Community Counseling emphasis will take courses necessary for licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC). In addition, a comprehensive examination and/or portfolio are required before graduation.

**Emphasis Areas** Elementary School Counseling, Secondary School Counseling, Community Counseling

**Program Website** <http://coe.umsl.edu/web/divisions/counseling/index.cfm>

**Application Requirements**

1. Application to Graduate School

<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/graduate/future/how-to-apply.html>

2. Counseling Division Application

Download at <http://coe.umsl.edu/web/divisions/counseling/forms.cfm>

3. Official transcripts from all universities attended

Successful applicants must have completed a baccalaureate degree before beginning the master's program.

4. Entrance examinations

a. International students are required to document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination before a decision is made on admission.

5. Three letters of recommendation

Letters that address academic potential must be provided by individuals who can accurately assess it, such as previous instructors, professors, etc.

6. Grade Point Average

Minimum of 3.0 on 4.0 scale.

**Application Deadlines**

Fall semester: June 1

Spring semester: October 1

Applications that are not received by the posted date are delayed until the next application review cycle.

**Application Fee**

\$35 (\$40 for international students)

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