

Graduate Certificate Career Counseling

Degree Program

The Career Counseling Graduate Certificate is for individuals and students who want to add an additional focus of career counseling to their academic credentials. The goals of the Graduate Certificate in Career Counseling are: (a) to provide an academic program to help counselors, career development professionals, and students increase their competency in supporting the career development of all their clients across various settings; (b) to provide a curriculum focused on helping counselors, career development professionals, and students apply knowledge and skill to practice in the areas of career assessment, career decision making, career counseling with PK-16 students and adults; (c) increase career development professionals' awareness of social justice issues and their impact on career development.

Program Website

https://coe.umsl.edu/mycoe/p2_pe/viewProgram/program_id/GC.Couns_Career

Application Requirements

1. Graduate School Application:
 - a. <http://umsl.edu/go/Apply-Now>
2. Statement of Purpose
 - a. Description of individual goals and areas of interest.
3. Current "good standing" (non-probation) in an UMSL graduate mental health practitioner training program counseling, social work, or psychology)

OR

All of the following criteria must be met:

1. Undergraduate degree with a GPA of 3.0 or better;
2. Enrollment in a graduate mental health practitioner or related training program or earned Master's degree in mental health field (or related);
3. Two letters of recommendation with at least one from a current or former college-level instructor (or someone with a graduate degree who can attest to the applicant's capacity to complete graduate-level work);
4. Two-page personal statement explaining the applicant's personal and professional goals.

Application Deadline

Applications are processed as they are submitted. However, applications that are not received by the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

- Fall term – July 1
- Spring term – December 1
- Summer term – May 1

Application Fee

\$50 for domestic applicants; \$40 for international applicants

**Fee waived for current UMSL Students or previous UMSL applicants*

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