

LIBERTY

UNIVERSITY.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Philosophy in Counselor Education and Supervision (Ph.D.)

2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

CLINICAL PREREQUISITES

Orientation to Professional Identity & Function
Ethical & Legal Issues in Counseling
Human Growth & Development
Research & Program Evaluation
Multicultural Counseling
Counseling Techniques & the Helping Relationship
Counseling Practicum

Met

Group Counseling
Assessment Techniques in Counseling
Career Development & Counseling
Psychopathology & Counseling
Clinical Diagnosis/Treatment Planning
Counseling Internship

Met

CORE COURSES (33 hours)

COUC 710 Advanced Group Counseling
COUC 714 Supervision & Consultation¹
COUC 715 Advanced Theory Application & Orientation^{1, 2}
COUC 730 Issues in Integration
COUC 740 Advanced Research Design^{1, 2}
COUC 745 Advanced Multivariate Statistics & Quantitative Research¹
COUC 747 Instruction in Counselor Education¹
COUC 750 Qualitative Research¹
COUC 810 Dissemination of Research & Scholarship in Counseling¹
COUC 850 Advanced Career Counseling¹
COUC 860 Counseling Leadership & Advocacy¹
COUC 969 Ph.D. Qualifying Exam

Hrs

3
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Sem

Grade

DOCTORAL ELECTIVE COURSE (3 hours)

COUC _____ ³

3

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE (12 hours)

COUC 970 Teaching Internship
COUC 980 Supervision Internship
COUC 998 Practicum⁴
COUC 999 Internship^{5, 6}

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DISSERTATION COURSES (12 hours)⁷

COUC 870 Advanced Research Seminar¹
COUC 989 Dissertation Proposal & Research⁸
COUC 989 Dissertation Proposal & Research⁸
COUC 990 Dissertation Defense

3
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Ph.D. Candidacy Exam

Topic _____

TOTAL HOURS 60

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Required Intensive

²COUC 715 and 740 must be completed prior to taking the Qualifying Exam.

COUC 715 is a required first entry course for all students in this degree.

³Choose any 700-900 level COUC course not already required by the degree.

⁴If the required hours are not completed during the first enrollment in the course the student may enroll in the course a second time

⁵If the required hours are not completed during the second enrollment in the course the student may enroll in the course for a third time

⁶Counseling, Research or Leadership and Advocacy Internship

⁷Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring & Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

⁸Any student who is not ready for enrollment in COUC 990 after completing the second enrollment in COUC 989 may be required, as determined by the student's dissertation chair, to repeat COUC 989 until deemed ready for enrollment in COUC 990

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

Graduation Requirements

Complete 60 hours

A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Successful completion of the Qualifying Exam and the Candidacy Exam

Degree must be completed within 7 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Offered in Online Format

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

<u>First Semester</u>		<u>Second Semester</u>	
COUC 715 ^{1,2}	3	COUC 810 ¹	3
COUC 740 ^{1,2}	<u>3</u>	COUC 860 ¹	3
Total	6	COUC 969	<u>0</u>
		Total	6
 <u>Third Semester</u>		 <u>Fourth Semester</u>	
COUC 710	3	COUC 730	3
COUC 714 ¹	3	COUC 747 ¹	3
COUC 998 ^{3,4}	<u>3</u>	COUC 750 ¹	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9
 <u>Fifth Semester</u>		 <u>Sixth Semester</u>	
COUC 745 ¹	3	COUC 870 ¹	3
COUC 980	<u>3</u>	COUC 999 ^{5,6}	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
 <u>Seventh Semester</u>		 <u>Eighth Semester</u>	
COUC 850 ¹	3	COUC 970	3
COUC Elective ⁷	<u>3</u>	COUC 989 ⁸	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
 <u>Ninth Semester</u>		 <u>Tenth Semester</u>	
COUC 989 ⁸	3	COUC 990	<u>3</u>
Ph.D. Candidacy Exam	<u>0</u>	Total	3
Total	3		

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³The practicum can be taken any time after passing COUC 969.

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Once the student begins the program he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (one course per academic year except during the Dissertation phase which requires continued registration and re-enrollment in COUC 989 each term until the dissertation defense is scheduled) until all degree requirements are completed.