

Counselor Education
University of Central Florida

Program Objectives

The objectives of the University of Central Florida Counselor Education program are:

1. To help students develop a professional identity appropriate to their chosen career path;
2. To assist students in acquiring knowledge, skills, and dispositions in ethical behaviors in accordance with ACA Code of Ethics, legal precedence and other appropriate standards;
3. To provide students with knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for working with an increasingly diverse and multicultural society;
4. To provide students with knowledge and strategies needed to work with normal and abnormal behavior in individuals, groups, couples, and families across the lifespan;
5. To provide students learning opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills in technology for use in assessment and treatment planning, learning and career exploration, personal growth, research, and other appropriate applications;
6. To assist students in acquiring the knowledge and skills appropriate for selecting, administering and interpreting assessment tools;
7. To produce graduates that have excellent helping, communication, problem solving, conflict resolution, consultation, and other intrapersonal and interpersonal skills;
8. To produce graduates who have an understanding of research methods, statistical procedures, needs assessment, and program evaluation and who utilize research to improve counselor effectiveness;
9. To provide opportunities and encourage students to grow personally and engage in self examination and reflection;
10. To produce graduates who show both academic and practical experiences in working with a chosen specialty; and
11. To contribute to the local and regional community by:
 - a. providing professional development opportunities for practicing counselors,
 - b. training, consulting and working with local schools and community agencies,
 - c. providing counseling services to the community free of charge.