Guidance and Psychological Services: Counselor Education (Ph.D.)
Indiana State University

This graduate program can be described briefly as follows:

A. Research Core:

In all doctoral programs the student must demonstrate competency in foundational areas of knowledge and skills necessary to support research, scholarship, and practice in that area. The specific foundational course work and competencies will depend upon the doctoral specialization with each program having its own prescribed sequence of foundational study.

- EPSY 620 Research in Education
- EPSY 612 Statistical Method
- EPSY 710 Introduction to Qualitative Methods
- EPSY 712 Inferential Statistics

And one of the following:

- EPSY 711 Advanced Qualitative Methods
- EPSY 713 Multivariate Statistics

B. Counseling Core:

The student must complete a program enabling him or her to develop deeper theoretical and philosophical understandings of human behavior. To provide for this development the student must complete a counseling core of study (at least 20 semester hours).

- COUN 533 Techniques of Counseling
- COUN 595K Treatment of Substance Abuse Disorders
- COUN 615 Introduction to Group Work
- EPSY 621 Development Through the Lifespan
- COUN 626 Diagnosis and Psychopathology for Clinical Mental Health Counselors: Across the Lifespan
- COUN 628 Psychological Appraisal I
- COUN 633 Theories of Counseling
- COUN 634 Counseling Practicum
- COUN 635 Career Development
- COUN 666 Multicultural Counseling
- COUN 738B or COUN 738D Ethics and Professional Practice
- COUN 739B or COUN 739D Internship

C. Specialization (30-48 hours minimum):

Each doctoral student must develop an area of specialization. The Counselor Education Area of specialization is as follows:

- COUN 550 Family Systems
- EDLR 650 Foundations of Educational Leadership
- COUN 750 Advanced Theories
- COUN 732 or SPSY 680 Consultation
- COUN 733 Group Counseling
- COUN 736 Research Seminar
- COUN 738C Professional Seminar
- COUN 793T Supervised Fieldwork: University Teaching
- COUN 83S Seminar Career Development
- COUN 837 Advanced Counseling Practicum
- COUN 834 Supervision
- COUN 891 Internship
D. Additional Coursework

Each student in conjunction with his or her dissertation chairperson must develop a sub-specialization consisting of 6 hours outside the counseling area.

Each student must complete a minimum of 18 hours of COUN 899 Dissertation.

Counselor Education:

Prepares persons for positions of leadership in research, teaching, and counseling in collegiate institutions, and leadership positions in student services in public schools and clinical mental health care settings.

Notes:

The student must show possession and effective use of the technical knowledge and skills needed by every professional worker in the area of specialization. In addition, the independence of thought, the inquiring attitude, and the skills necessary for productive research work must be developed. Special competencies will be developed through participation in courses, seminars, research activities, clinical internships, and other planned activities. Each student must successfully complete and adequately defend a doctoral dissertation.

The program for each student will be planned jointly by the student, the advisor, and the doctoral committee and will take cognizance of the candidate’s competencies, needs, interests, and goals as well as any prior or existing educational or experiential deficiencies. This program will be subject to revision as the student’s strengths and weaknesses are assessed as he or she continues through the program.