



A student must complete the course and credit requirements as defined on this curriculum sheet to be a candidate for the Master of Science in major. Additional policies, procedures and requirements may be found in the current Graduate University Catalog and/or the field placement handbooks.

Degree Requirement

A student must already hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university for this degree.

Credit Requirement

A minimum of 60 credits is required for this school counseling concentration certificate degree.

Up to 6 credits from a related master-level degree can be transferred.

Pre-Practicum hours are embedded within the course work; CNS 505 and CNS 527.

Practicum (100 hours) and internship (600 hours - 200 each in each internship experience are required).

Grade Requirements

The minimum major and cumulative GPA of 3.0 (B) average is required to remain in good academic standing. One grade of a C+ is permitted but a 3.0 grade point average must be maintained throughout the program. A grade of C requires course be retaken. Students may retake a maximum of 2 courses in which they earned a C or C+. Students may retake an individual course only one time. Students may not earn any grade below a C and remain in the program. Minimum grade of B is required in Core Requirements and Field Courses (Practicum & Internships).

PA Certification

PA Certification requires 60 credits including practicum/internship field experiences, MS counseling degree, counseling speciality tests and clearances.

MAJOR

Core Requirements - 30 credits

CNS 501	Counseling Skills	3
CNS 504	Human Development	3
CNS 505	Foundations of Counseling	3
CNS 510	Research Methods	3
CNS 513	Practicum	3
CNS 520	Theories in Counseling	3
CNS 521	Assessment Techniques in Counseling	3
CNS 527	Social Justice, Multicultural & Diversity Issues in Counseling	3
CNS 531	Career Development	3
CNS 533	Substance Use/Abuse	3

Concentration Requirements - 30 Credits

CNS 507	Disabilities in the School Counseling Setting	3
CNS 508	Needs of English Language Learners in the School Counseling Setting	3
CNS 523	Intervention Techniques in School Counseling	3
CNS 525	Organization of School Counseling	3
CNS 536	Group Counseling and Facilitation Skills for the School Setting	3
CNS 608	Internship I (SC)	3
CNS 609	Internship II (SC)	3
CNS 610	Internship III (SC)	3
CNS	Electives	6

Curriculum sheet for the school counseling program at Gwynedd Mercy University is subject to change pending program specific competency changes in certification by the PA Department of Education. New regulations in 22 PA Code Chapter 49 may result in changes for school counseling education programs at Gwynedd Mercy University.