



Indiana University South Bend

Counseling and Human Services Department
School of Education

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Academic Year 2021-2022

Mission Statement

The mission of the IU South Bend Counseling and Human Services Program is to prepare knowledgeable, ethical, and multiculturally competent school counselors, clinical mental health counselors and addictions counselors. Faculty members embody diversity of experience and provide students with a rigorous exploration of theoretical orientation and evidence-based practices in an environment that promotes personal growth and reflection. Graduates exemplify the learning, skills training, and dispositions that reflect both career-readiness and the highest standards of the counseling profession.

Each year the Counseling and Human Services Department (CHS) is required by the Council for Accreditation on Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) to provide an annual report as part of the program review process. This report is designed to inform the department's constituents (e.g. current students, program graduates, advisory board members, university community, prospective students, etc.) an overview of the program mission statement and activities, relevant date, and program modifications. CACREP accredits two master's degrees within the CHS department: Clinical Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling.

The CHS program of IU South Bend is well known in the northern region of Indiana. Our graduates have gone on to serve as counselors and administrators in various institutions in the surrounding area as well as all over the state and the country. All our CHS programs lead to licensure or certification in school and clinical mental health counseling, thereby preparing students to achieve all of their career goals in the helping professions.

Faculty & Personnel Updates

- ✓ Karen Benjamin joined the School of Education in November 2022, serving as the new Associate Director of Program Review and Accreditation. Prior to her role at Indiana University, Karen worked as an Accreditation Coordinator at Andrews University's Graduate Psychology & Counseling Department. She will be working closely with the CHS programs and our different accrediting bodies.
- ✓ Vanessa Kelleybrew is a Visiting Lecturer in the Counseling and Human Services department. She is a graduate from our program and has several years of experience in the area as a Mental Health Counselor.
- ✓ Our department is currently without dedicated Administrative support personnel.
- ✓ Erica Cannady is our new Graduate Advisor and Director of Recruitment, Retention and Enrollment. She joins us from the University's Student Success Center where she was a Guided Pathways Academy Success Coach.

Accreditation Update

The Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling programs, both accredited by The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), underwent a recent program review through a self-study submitted in 2020. In May of 2022, a team of reviewers met, via Zoom, with faculty, students, alumni, and other individuals affiliated with the Counselor Education programs. The outcome of this visit led to the continued accreditation of the Clinical Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling programs.

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Concentration Area

Our Master's of Science program track in clinical mental health counseling is 60 credit hours. The program track has been accredited by CACREP since 2005. Students in the clinical mental health counseling program complete coursework in various areas related to counseling and mental health. These students also engage in one semester of practicum and two semesters of internship experiences while in the program. The clinical mental health counseling track can be completed in 3 years of study and leads to eligibility for licensure as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor in the State of Indiana.

School Counseling Concentration Area

Our 60 credit hour Master's of Science program track in school counseling has been accredited by CACREP since 2005. Students in the school counseling program complete traditional classroom work, take part in and engage in extensive field work during their time in the program. The school counseling track can be completed in 3 years of study and leads to eligibility for a school counseling licensure in Indiana.

2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

Program Statistics

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Concentration Area Report

Fifty-three students with identified tracks of study in clinical mental health counseling were enrolled during the Fall 2021-Summer 2022 school year. Eleven clinical mental health students graduated from the department during the same time period.

School Counseling Concentration Area Report

Thirty-four students with identified tracks of study in school counseling were enrolled during the Fall 2021-Summer 2022 school year. Five school counseling students graduated in 2021-2022.

Recruitment and Admissions

The combined application count for both programs was 38 during 2021-2022. A review of those applications resulted in an acceptance of 37 new students into the Counselor Education programs.

Year	Program	New Admit Count
2021-2022	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	24
2021-2022	School Counseling	13

Program Changes

The following adjustments were made to the CHS curriculum during the 2021-2022 academic year.

New Assessments – As a result of reaccreditation through CACREP, the CHS department is developing KPIs or Key Performance Indicators which will help us in our assessment processes.

New Placement Partnerships

- University of Notre Dame Psychological Services Center
- Listening Oasis Wellness Space of GCSCORED, Inc.