

Program:	School Counseling	Dept:	Advanced Professional & Special Services
Major:	School Counseling	College:	Education and Professional Studies
Degree:	Master of Education (M.Ed.)	Major Code:	3611

School Counseling, M.Ed.

The primary mission of the Master of Education in School Counseling is to prepare professional counselors who specialize in the school environment. The program prepares both master's students and post-master's for the School Counselor Certification examination. This is a PK-12 certification. For information on Preparation for School Counselor Certification, see the Certification Programs section of this catalog.

The UCO School Counseling Program adheres to the national standards of the American Counseling Association and the American School Counselors Association and standards of the Oklahoma State Department of Education. These standards are linked to the criteria set forth by the National Board for Certified Counselors. Meeting these standards will enable students to pursue the National Certified Counselor and the National Certified School Counselor designations. In order to promote professionalism, students are encouraged to obtain these certificates and to actively participate in professional organizations. Admission to the School Counseling program occurs Fall and Spring Semesters.

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Admission Requirements

Submit the following items to:

Jackson College of Graduate Studies
100 N. University Drive, NUC 404
Edmond, OK 73034

- Online application for admission (www.uco.edu/graduate/).
- Official copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts from each institution attended with all degrees posted. All transcripts must be from accredited institutions. Undergraduate transcripts must show a minimum 2.75 GPA overall or 3.00 GPA in the last 60 hours attempted.*
- Students with a native language other than English must submit evidence of English language proficiency. See [Admission to Graduate Studies - English Language Proficiency \(pp. 17-18\)](#).
- A current teaching certificate or completion of 6 hours as follows: ESFR 5523 and ESFR 5533 within 12 hours of completed program coursework.

**Students falling below these standards may qualify for conditional admission. See [Admission to Graduate Studies \(p.17\)](#).*

Other Requirements

- Plan of Study. Each student must file a plan of study with their graduate program advisor and the Jackson College of Graduate Studies (JCGS) by the end of the first semester of graduate work. The plan must be signed and dated by the student and the program coordinator before it can be considered official.
- Academic Standards. Meet the following course work standards:
 - Overall GPA of 3.00 or higher.
 - No more than six hours of "C".
 - No more than six advisor-approved hours from traditional correspondence courses.
- Final Requirements. Apply for graduation through the JCGS by advertised deadline.

Graduation Requirements

Required Courses.....33 Hours

Course Prefix	Course No.	Course Title
GUID	5013	Principles/Ethics School Counseling
GUID	5113	Theories & Tech of Grp. Cnsl. (Preq: GUID 5163)
GUID	5133	Multicultural Cnslg (Preq: GUID 5163)
GUID	5153	Cnsl. Interv. Strat. (Preq GUID 5163)
GUID	5163	Theories & Tech of Inv. ScI. Cnsl.
GUID	5253	Developmental School Counsel (Preq: GUID 5013 & ESFR 5153)
GUID	5443	Career Counseling (Preq: GUID 5013)
GUID	5950	Internship in School Counsel (Preq: GUID 5163, 5113, & 5153)*
ESFR	5013	Foundations of Educational Research
ESFR	5153	Adv. Dev. Psych. in Educ'l. Setting
ESFR	5383	Principles of Tests and Measurements

*GUID 5950 Internship in School Counsel. This is the last course in the program and requires permission for entry. Internship applications are available from the program coordinator. For the fall semester, an application must be in by the sixth week of the previous spring Semester: for the spring semester by the sixth week of the fall semester. Students must complete all theory courses (GUID 5163, 5113, 5153) prior to starting internships.

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED 33 HOURS