

Fort Hays State University

Counseling Programs – Department of Advanced Education Programs

Vital Statistics Report 2018-2019

Each year, the counseling programs provide vital statistics to inform all interested parties and prospective students of the changes and progress made in the school counseling and clinical mental health counseling programs. The statistics inform student progress and outcome while achieving an MS Degree in counseling from Fort Hays State University (FHSU). The following information is from the 2018-2019 Academic Year.

School Counseling Program

This past year, there were 30 graduates of the FHSU MS in School Counseling Program. To obtain initial licensure, our graduate completes the Praxis II: Professional School Counselor. This past year, the pass rate was 100% for our graduates taking the Praxis II. Of the graduating students 8 responded to our graduate survey. All 8 reported holding positions as school counselors.

Currently, there are approximately 126 students enrolled in the School Counseling program. The School Counseling program accepts all qualified applicants, who meet admissions criteria, each semester and meet the credentials for state licensure. Ninety percent of student graduate within the expected time period of two years for full time students. Course offerings and enrollment requirements accommodate both part-time and full-time students.

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program

This past year, there were 8 graduates of the FHSU MS in Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program. Graduates complete the National Counselor Examination (NCE) for LPC licensure. Licensure examination data is not openly available to the FHSU faculty; therefore, we rely on reporting from our graduate survey. Of the graduating students, 3 responded to the graduate survey to report a 100% pass rate on the NCE test.

Currently, there are approximately 32 students enrolled in the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program. The counseling program receives, on average, 10 applications and accepts 7 new students (fall, spring, and summer semesters) into the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program. Ninety percent of the students graduate within the expected time period of three years for full time students. Course offerings and enrollment requirements accommodate both part-time and full-time students.

Counseling Program Demographics (All Programs)
Academic Year 2018-2019

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
Total Enrollment	161
Total FTE Enrollment	
Women	86%
Men	14%
African American	1%
Asian	0%
Hispanic	10%
International	2%
White	85%
Other/Unknown	2%

SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
Number of Students Enrolled*	126 (Degree Seeking) 6 (Non-Degree Seeking)
Applicants for 2019-2020	48
Accepted	46
Average Class size	
Content Class	15
Practicum	12
Internship	12
Number of Fall Graduates	10
Number of Spring Graduates	20
Completion Rate	98%
Licensure Pass Rate	100%
Job Placement Rate**	100%

*Non-degree students are completing program of study requirements for Restricted Counseling Licensure through the Kansas Department of Education or Post-Graduate Supervision Requirements from the Parallel Pathways Program.

**Numbers represent the number of graduates who responded to the graduate survey and reported the statistic. The numbers for job placement rate do not reflect the entire graduates of the program. The number of respondents to the statistic is indicated in parenthesis.

CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING PROGRAM

Applicant Statistics

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
Applicants	17
Accepted	15

Number of Students Enrolled	32
Average Class size	
Content Class	15
Practicum	7
Internship	8
Number of Graduates	8
Completion Rate	90%
Licensure Pass Rate*	100%
Job Placement Rate*	100%

*Numbers represent the number of graduates who responded to the graduate survey and reported the statistic. The numbers for job placement rate and NCE pass rate do not reflect the entire graduates of the program. The number of respondents to the statistic is indicated in parenthesis.

Applicant Statistics

SCHOOL COUNSELING

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
Applicants	48
Accepted	46
Avg. GRE	151
Avg. MAT	420
Undergraduate GPA	3.25

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Summary of Findings

The counseling programs continue to pursue meeting the CACREP FTE requirements along with the demand for counselors in the state of Kansas. The Counseling Programs have hired 2 core faculty who will begin in the Fall of 2019. Additionally, our full-time instructor will finalize a PhD in Counselor Education in Dec. 2019, transitioning into a core faculty member. The Counseling Program remains committed to growing personnel alongside student growth.

The CMHC program admits on average 7 students per semester. The School Counseling program continues to grow in enrollment, partly to meet the demands of Kansas Schools and prevalence of alternative licensure pathways. Applications rise each year, and the number of qualified candidates continues to be high as well. Applicants to the programs are majority white and female.

Reported licensure pass rates are 100% and the job acceptance rates are 100% for those who reported. The state of Kansas continues to desire counselors. The Kansas Department of Education (KSDE) has indicated a goal to hire on average 150 school counselors each year through 2024 so they can achieve a 250:1 counselor to student ratio across public schools.