

COMMUNITY COUNSELING

MA DEGREE • MEd DEGREE

COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

PhD DEGREE

CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

EdS DEGREE

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COUNSELING

MEd DEGREE

The MA in Community Counseling, conferred by the Graduate School, is a research-oriented program designed for students who intend to pursue a doctoral degree in counseling psychology, counselor education, or related fields.

The MEd in Community Counseling is a practice-oriented degree that prepares professionals who are knowledgeable about cultural influences on human development and who can meet client concerns from diverse cultural perspectives.

The MEd in School and Community Counseling is an opportunity for prospective counselors to widen their career possibilities and marketability. While many counseling programs focus on either school or community counseling, this program offers hands-on and classroom experience that will equip you to sit for licensure in a school and/or community setting.

The EdS in Clinical Mental Health Counseling is a practice-oriented degree that helps professionals to become more knowledgeable about the influences of culture on human development.

The PhD in Counseling Psychology, which is accredited by the American Psychological Association, is designed for students who seek to engage in the professional practice of psychology.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- MA, MEd in Community Counseling, EdS, and PhD programs
MA, MEd, and EdS average time to completion (full time): Two years
PhD average time to completion (full time): 5 years
For all programs (except PhD program), average time to completion (part time): 3+ years
- MEd in School and Community Counseling
The degree offers full-time enrollment. Average time to completion: 2 years, including summers
The degree offers part-time enrollment. Average time to completion: 3+ years

Summer courses are available. Classes are usually in the late afternoons or early evenings. Some morning offerings are also available. All programs accept some graduate-level transfer credit.

INTERNSHIPS AND REQUIREMENTS

Field experience is managed and scheduled during the program.

- MA/MEd in Community Counseling/EdS programs do not have thesis requirements, but do have comprehensive examinations.
- MEd in School and Community Counseling requires a 700-hour practicum/internship.
- The PhD requires a dissertation.

EXPECTATIONS AFTER GRADUATION

MA students often continue to doctoral study. The MEd and EdS programs are appropriate to become licensed for master's-level practice. As a PhD candidate, you may be able to sit for the Clinical Psychologist licensure examination if you meet other State of Illinois requirements.

School and Community Counseling graduates will be in a strong position to pursue a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) or Licensed School Counselor credential.

Career services are available at LUC.edu/career.

PROGRAM DISTINCTIONS

Loyola University Chicago's School of Education serves more than 1,000 graduate students enrolled in master's degree, educational specialist, certificate, and doctoral programs. The school prepares professionals in the service of social justice and promotes the Jesuit ideals of quality, intellectual rigor, and service to others.

- MA program: some additional coursework can lead you to LPC eligibility.
- MEd programs: you will be eligible to apply for your LPC; 2 years of post-graduate supervision can lead to the LCPC.
- PhD program: funding from the University may be available.

The School of Education is accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), now the Council for the Accreditation for Educator Preparation (CAEP).

PREREQUISITES

MA/MEd/EdS programs: Introduction to Statistics
PhD program requires a master's degree in a related area.

Learn more at LUC.edu/education.

FINANCIAL AID

Begin the financial aid process by completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fafsa.ed.gov.

Learn more about the financial aid process at LUC.edu/education/financialaid.

LEARN MORE

APPLICATION INFORMATION AND DEADLINES

gpem.LUC.edu/apply

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