

School Counseling Practicum/Internship Course Work Requirements

Practicum and Internship for students in the School Counseling track provide opportunities to move concepts and skills from the classroom to the field. They are supervised experiences that allow students to demonstrate key competencies necessary for the implementation of developmental school guidance and counseling programs. It is important that students follow the guidelines for course completion before practicum and internship to allow for successful school site experiences.

Practicum and Internship Prerequisites (*School Specialty Courses in Italics*)

MHS 6410 Counseling Theories	MHS 6200 Appraisal and Evaluation*
MHS 6055 Life Span Development	MHS 6430 Family Counseling*
MHS 5005 Counseling Processes	MHS 6340 Career Counseling*
MHS 6700 Legal & Ethical Issues	MHS 5428 Counseling Special Needs Populations*
MHS 6510 Group Counseling	

SDS 5010 *Fundamentals of School Guidance*

MHS 6600 *Consultation and Behavior Management**

MHS 6421 *Counseling Children** (pre-req for elementary practicum students)

MHS 6423 *Counseling Adolescents** (pre-req for middle/high practicum students)

*Up to two of these courses may be taken SIMULTANEOUSLY with the practicum (unless otherwise noted) however ALL MUST be completed before the internship.

Graduation requirement: Passing scores on FTCE & completion of approved Program of Study:

- Florida Department of Education and FAU College of Education requires that students provide passing scores on the state certification exams (FTCE) to FAU Student Services and Counselor Ed office before being cleared for graduation.
- Students must submit proof of FTCE registration along with practicum application.
- Students must submit passing FTCE results along with internship application.
- Both Student Services and the Department of Counselor Education must have your passing FTCE score reports on file to be eligible for graduation. Visit <http://www.coe.fau.edu/counsel/certification.htm> for additional information.

Other Required Courses (to be taken at any time)

EDF 6481 Educational Research
STA 6113 Statistics
Elective #1
Elective #2

<u>School Counseling Electives</u>	<u>Electives for Initial FL Teacher Certification</u>
MHS 5422 Play Techniques	Choose 1 ESOL course:
SDS 6316 Data Driven Practices in School Counseling	TSL 4324 ESOL Strategies for Content Area Teachers
SDS 6426 Counseling Gifted Students	TSL 5345 Methods of Teaching ESOL
	Choose 1 Reading course:
	RED 4335 Content Reading in Middle and Secondary Schools
	RED 6351 Developmental Reading

Following these guidelines puts students in the best position to demonstrate competency in key skill areas and provide needed services for students in our schools. Practicum and Internship provide exciting opportunities for students to show the potential of FAU school counseling graduates and open future doors for employment.