
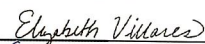
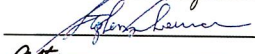
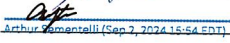
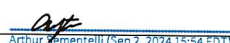

 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST Graduate Programs		UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ Banner _____ Catalog _____
	Department Counselor Education College Education		
Program Name SPECIALIST IN EDUCATION (ED.S.) Counselor Education		<input type="checkbox"/> New Program* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change Program*	Effective Date (TERM & YEAR) Spring 2025
<p>Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.</p> <p>The proposed addition of the Counselor Education Specialist in Education (Ed.S.) with a Rehabilitation Counseling Concentration aims to fill a critical gap in the current educational landscape for advanced counseling degrees. Given the complexities of the mental health challenges facing today's society, there is an imperative need to equip professionals with specialized skills and knowledge that extend beyond the foundational competencies acquired through a Master of Education (MEd) degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC), School Counseling (SC), or Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (CRC).</p> <p>The rationale for introducing this program stems from the evolving demands of the counseling profession, where there is an increasing need for practitioners who not only understand the broad spectrum of mental health issues but possess an expertise in rehabilitation counseling and disabilities. This concentration will provide a curriculum that emphasizes vocational rehabilitation, case management, medical and psychosocial aspects of disabilities and evidence based practices in supporting individuals with disabilities.</p> <p>This addition will enable CMHC or SC MEd students to complete the necessary CRC core courses and internship, making them eligible for the CRC exam or positions in the field of rehabilitation counseling. Furthermore, it will allow CRC MEd students to enhance their qualifications with additional courses (e.g., Special Topics; Trauma and Crisis Counseling; or Play Techniques for Counseling Children and Adolescents). We propose one EdS program for students who already possess a MEd degree, as well as a 'combined' option for current MEd students who are interested in dual enrollment in the EdS in rehabilitation concentration.</p> <p><small>*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.</small></p>			
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Ayse Torres atorre58@fau.edu 954 290 6505		Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation No departments affected. See attached email chain for departmental approvals.	
Approved by Department Chair  College Curriculum Chair  College Dean  UGPC Chair  UGC Chair  Graduate College Dean  UFS President _____ Provost _____		Date 4/8/24 8/29/2024 8/30/2024 09/02/2024 09/02/2024 09/02/2024 _____ _____	

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Counselor Education Specialist in Education (Ed.S.)

Mental Health Counseling Concentration School Counseling Concentration Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling Concentration

The Specialist in Education (Ed.S.) with major in Counselor Education is available with the following concentrations: Mental Health Counseling, School Counseling, and Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling. For admission and degree requirements refer to the heading [Specialist's Degree Program Information](#). All application materials must be received no later than January 15 for summer/fall admission and September 15 for spring admission. The Ed.S. degree requires a minimum of 72 credits (75 credits for those specializing in Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling).

Clinical Rehabilitation Concentration

Foundation Courses – 9 credits

Processes in Counseling	MHS 5005	3
Counseling Theories and Techniques	MHS 6401	3
Life Span Development	MHS 6482	3

Core Courses – 30 credits

Multicultural Counseling for Diverse Populations	MHS 5428	3
Appraisal and Evaluation in Counseling	MHS 6220	3
Career Development	MHS 6340	3
Family Counseling	MHS 6430	3
Substance Abuse Counseling	MHS 6450	3
Counseling and Human Sexuality	MHS 6470	3
Group Counseling	MHS 6510	3
Legal, Ethical and Professional Issues in Counseling	MHS 6700	3
Counseling Research and Evidence-Based Practice	MHS 6710	3
Educational Statistics	STA 6113	3

Concentration Courses – 24 credits

Psychopathology in Counseling	MHS 6070	3
Foundations of Rehabilitation Counseling	RCS 6031	3

Medical and Psychosocial Aspects of Disability	RCS 6080	3
Occupational Information and Job Placement	RCS 6320	3
Case Management and Vocational Rehabilitation	RCS 6644	3
Rehabilitation Counseling Practicum	RCS 6801	3
Rehabilitation Counseling Internship (may be taken over two terms for a total of 6 credits)	RCS 6825	6 (3+3)

Additional Specialist Requirements - minimum 12credits; recommendations below. Select at least four courses from the following OR any courses in the Department of Counselor Education can be used to fulfill these requirements, with advisor permission.

Special Topics (<i>various topics, may be taken multiple times</i>)	MHS 5930
Professional Seminar (<i>various topics, may be taken multiple times</i>)	MHS 6930

Total 72 credits

Degree Programs Available

At the undergraduate level, the Department of Counselor Education offers developmental courses that give students considering the field a realistic and comprehensive view of counselors and what they do. The department also offers a certificate in [Applied Mental Health Services](#) in conjunction with the Department of Psychology in the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science. This certificate program provides a curricular experience for students who wish to pursue careers in clinical psychology, mental health counseling and allied human services that enhances the student's chosen major. Certificate details and program requirements are listed under the [Interdisciplinary Programs](#) catalog section.

At the graduate level, Counselor Education offers a Master of Education (M.Ed.) with major in Counselor Education and three concentrations, a combined [Master of Education \(M.Ed.\) to Specialist in Education \(Ed.S.\) with major in Counselor Education](#) and ~~two-three~~ concentrations, and a Specialist in Education (Ed.S.) with major in Counselor Education with ~~two-three~~ concentrations. A Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) with major in Counseling is also part of this department's offerings.

COUNSELOR EDUCATION

MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.ED.) TO SPECIALIST IN EDUCATION (ED.S.)

COMBINED PROGRAM

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Concentration

School Counseling Concentration

Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling Concentration

(Minimum of 84 credits required)

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This Combined M.Ed. and Ed.S. with major in Counselor Education program may be structured with a Clinical Mental Health Counseling, ~~or School Counseling~~, or Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling concentration. It requires at least 12 credits of coursework beyond the minimum of 60 credits needed for the M.Ed. program. Students receive their M.Ed. after completing a minimum of 60 credits (School Counseling or Clinical Mental Health Counseling) or 63 credits (Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling) of coursework; the Ed.S. is awarded after completion of a total of a minimum of 72 credits (and no more than 84 credits for the combined program with departmental permission). Any courses in the Department of Counselor Education can be used to fulfill these requirements with advisor permission.

The Admission Requirements for the M.Ed./Ed.S. are the same as for the M.Ed. The Degree Requirements are also the same except for item 3:

3. The student must complete a minimum 60-credit program of study for the master's degree and complete a minimum of 72 credits for the combined M.Ed./Ed.S. program with no more than 84 credits.

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Subject: Ed.S. Rehabilitation concentration / Feedback

Dear Department Chair Colleagues:

Attached is a proposal to integrate an Ed.S. program with a Rehabilitation concentration into the catalog. This addition will enable Clinical Mental Health Counseling or School Counseling students to complete the necessary Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling core courses and internships, making them eligible for the Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling exam and positions in the field of rehabilitation counseling. Furthermore, it will allow rehab track students to enhance their qualifications with additional courses, such as Trauma and Crisis Counseling or Play Techniques for Counseling Children and Adolescents.

Our plan is to include :

- An Ed.S. program for individuals who already have an M.Ed. degree and are seeking to obtain an Ed.S. degree with rehab concentration, and
- A 'combined' option for current M.Ed. students interested in dual enrollment in M.Ed. and the Ed.S. clinical rehabilitation concentration.

Additionally, we have proposed changes to the catalog, also attached. We hope to present this initiative at the [April 9th GPC meeting](#) and greatly value your feedback.

I am requesting that you get back to me as soon as possible to let me know if there are any conflicts or areas of concern from your department.

Thanks. Carman

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Subject: Re: Ed.S. Rehabilitation concentration / Feedback

No conflict with Special Ed.

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No conflict. RS

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No CSD conflict.

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No conflict with any program in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

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