



Doctoral Program in Counselor Education Application Process

The doctoral program in Counselor Education employs a competitive student selection process for a limited number of seats. While the application deadline is April 1, highly ranked applicants will be interviewed and possibly admitted to the program prior to April 1. Given that the program has a limited number of seats; it is in applicants' best interest to complete the application process once they decide to apply to the program. To select students for admission, faculty rank applicants' according to various qualifications. These include completion of a



master's degree in counseling that includes content and experiences consistent with current Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) accreditation standards. During the evaluation process faculty will also review verbal, quantitative, and writing scores on the GRE; counseling experience; licenses and certification; and professional recommendations. In addition, other relevant information may be considered; this includes professional organization memberships, publications and professional writing, research conducted, related work experience, and related professional activity. Preference will be for applicants who are graduates of CACREP accredited programs.

Based on faculty evaluations of the materials submitted to the graduate school and directly to the Counselor Education Doctoral Program Coordinator, applicants will be ranked. Highly ranked applicants will be interviewed prior to the application deadline of April 1. Interviews will continue until all seats are filled. During these interviews faculty will focus on exploring the applicant's interests in the program and ultimate career goals. During the interviews, faculty members will discuss program experiences and expectations for students admitted to the program. Participation in an interview does not guarantee admission but is a prerequisite for admission.

Applicants must follow the admissions process below.

1. Prospective applicants should contact Dr. Bill Kline, Doctoral Program in Counselor Education Coordinator, for program information by phone or

email (662 915-2020 or wbk@olemiss.edu) if they have any questions about the program or admissions process.

2. Applicants should send a detailed vita and a statement describing their career objectives as email attachments to Dr. Bill Kline Doctoral Program Coordinator Counselor Education at the following email address: wbk@olemiss.edu .

Three professional references also should be sent as email attachments directly from the persons making the recommendation to the same email address. Ask the person offering the recommendation to put your name and the word recommendation in the subject line of the email.

3. Applicants must complete the University of Mississippi Graduate School online application process at http://www.olemiss.edu/depts/graduate_school/apply.html to be considered for admission. Applicants will be asked to submit official transcripts and GRE score reports to the Graduate School.
4. Once the online application process is complete and the necessary information sent directly to the doctoral program coordinator is on file, applicants will be contacted by email that their application materials are complete.

