LONGWOOD
GRADUATE STUDIES

Master of Science in Counselor Education

Concentrations: School Counseling, Mental Health Counseling

CHANGE LIVES.

IN PERSON

60 CREDITS

FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME

Learn from full-time faculty with earned doctorates and real-world experience

Potential to use current job location for field placement requirements

Create a flexible work-and-learn schedule while still connecting with peers



CACREP ACCREDITED

APPLICATION DEADLINES— Early Bird: Dec. 1st | Early: Jan. 15th | Standard: Feb. 15th

Missed the deadline? We will accept applications until the program is full. Email us at graduate@longwood.edu.

Possibility to earn LPC designation in both tracks

Strong mental health foundation across both tracks in the program

Opportunity to apply for a variety of graduate assistantship positions

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

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Timeline and Course Requirements

Our 60-credit program is designed to offer students a solid grounding in the theoretical frameworks of counseling through hands-on experience and in-person instruction.

Our Counseling Graduate program fulfills the academic requirements for you to obtain your LPC. Our part time option spreads those hours over 3+ years, providing you the flexibility you need to live a balanced life while achieving your professional goals.

An initial practicum (100 hours) and a final internship (600 hours) are required in both tracks. You may be able to use your current job toward internship credit.

Interested in starting the program early as an undergraduate student at Longwood University? Learn more at **longwood.edu/acceleratedmasters**.

The Longwood Difference

Students benefit from the close connections that come from an in-person learning environment, building meaningful relationships with both faculty and their cohort. Learning alongside peers fosters collaboration, support, and professional networking, while dedicated full-time faculty provide mentorship grounded in real-world clinical experience and active involvement in professional counseling associations.



EXAMPLE COURSES

- *Clinical Psychopathology*
- *Substance Use & Addiction Counseling: Diagnosis & Treatment*
- *Marriage & Family Therapy: Theories and Techniques*
- *Grief, Loss, and Trauma Counseling*
- *Current Issues & Trends in School Counseling*
- *Multicultural Counseling*

TUITION AND FEES

Based on current tuition rates, tuition costs $485 per credit hour* in-state and $1,163 per credit hour out-of-state*. These costs do not include textbooks. Financial aid, graduate assistantships, and monthly payment plans are available. For questions about cost and the application process, contact Longwood Graduate Studies at graduate@longwood.edu.

** 2026-2027, on-campus*



CAREER PATHS

Program will equip you for the following career paths:

- Community mental health agencies
- Elementary schools, middle schools & high schools
- Colleges and universities
- Private practice settings

LICENSURE

Our program meets the academic requirements for licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in Virginia under the Department of Health Professions. The school counseling track also follows the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Education licensure regulations for school counselors.

CSAC CREDENTIAL

Program coursework satisfies all didactic training requirements for the Virginia Certified Substance Abuse Counselor (CSAC) credential.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ **Official bachelor's degree transcripts** from an accredited college or university and all transcripts for subsequent coursework
- ✓ A minimum overall undergraduate **GPA of 2.75** on a 4.0 scale
  **Options available if you do not meet this requirement.*
- ✓ **Two letters of recommendation**
- ✓ **Resume**
- ✓ **Essay of 250 to 500 words:** Why do you want to be a counselor and why will this program would be a good fit for you?
- ✓ **Interview**
- ✓ **CastleBranch Criminal background check** required after admission to accept offer
- ✓ **$40 application fee**

✓ NO GRE REQUIRED



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