

MAJOR FIELD ASSESSMENT PLAN

Degree Program. M.ED. COUNSELOR EDUCATION

Goal Statements:

A. Graduates with a M.Ed. In Counselor Education will demonstrate superior interpersonal and intrapersonal skills. Graduates will have a sound professional knowledge base that will support them in a variety of settings including schools, community agencies, higher education and private practice.

Expected Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to demonstrate skills and characteristics necessary to function in their respective settings, including effective communication, adherence to ethical standards, individual and group counseling techniques, knowledge and implementation of philosophical foundations and satisfactory personal characteristics.

2. Graduates will express satisfaction with knowledge and skills acquired in the SLU Counseling Program.

3. Students will be able to implement planning, managerial and evaluation techniques for their selected counseling setting.

4. Students will be able to perform satisfactorily on knowledge-based standardized tests.

Assessment Procedures:

a. 100% of the graduates will receive a proficient rating on 90% of all items found on the Counselor Competency Scale.

b. 85% of all graduates taking the National Board for Certified Counselors' Examination will pass. The passing score is determined at each administration of the exam and varies from one administration to another. Test results are available for the Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselor Board of Examiners. The NBCC Exam measures professional knowledge in all content areas taught in the counseling program.

c. An alumni survey is regularly conducted by SLU. 90% of the graduates of the counseling program will indicate on the alumni survey that they were satisfied with the counseling program and prepared for the job market.

d. Internship students will receive a satisfactory rating from their on-site supervisor on a rating scale routinely completed by the supervisor.

e. 85% of employers completing a survey of counseling program graduates will rate them as satisfactory or better on all skills required on the job.

f. Prior to graduation, 100% of the students who take the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE) will receive a passing score.