

# Vermont State University

## VTSU Graduate Program Plan of Study Outline

<b>Program Title with Track(s)</b> MA in Counseling <b>60-credit degree program</b>	1. Clinical Mental Health and Substance Use Counseling
	2. Dual-Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling

### Entry Requirements: Requirements for entry to the program (other than courses)

Row #	Requirement	
1	Graduate Application	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
2	Letters of Reference	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: Number required: <u>  3  </u> <input type="checkbox"/> no
3	Essay / Form	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
4	Official Transcripts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
5	Interview	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
6	Online Learning Preparation Form	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
7	Resume / CV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
8	Ugrad GPA Min.	X <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Application with translated documents (if necessary) and evaluations.</li> <li>• TOEFL iBT (79) or IELTS (6.5) scores.</li> <li>• Other Items: Financial Viability; Photo; etc.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> yes X <input type="checkbox"/> no
10	Other / Program Specific	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no

### Pre-Program Courses: Courses required as pre-requisites or co-requisites for program entry.

Row #	Category	Example	
--	Course Type	Course title	Credits
1	N/A		
2			
3			

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### Core Courses: Required for all Concentrations.

#### Notes for Program Evaluation: 60 credit degree:

- Minimum GPA 3.0 required overall, and a minimum B- for any course to count toward the degree
- A sample Plan of Study shows an example of the course progression. The schedule is based on 6 credits per term, which is full-time at the Graduate level. Options for part-time, 3 credits per term are discussed on an as-needed basis with the Advisor.
- Prerequisites are listed below in the table
- Key Advising contacts happen during Program Information (usually scheduled at the beginning of the Academic year), in CSL 5030 Lab I (for all new students), any time a student has a conflict with the term schedule, one year before program completion, and as needed
- Students have 5 years to complete their degree
- Internship planning happens 2-3 terms before the course is offered in the schedule. Students are connected with their internship faculty 9-12 months in advance to get approval for appropriate placement sites that students will approach.
- The culminating project is the Comprehensive Exam, taken in the last semester before graduation. A sample of the Comprehensive exam has been provided.
- Students are advised to submit the Graduation Application one year before program completion
- Two tracks are part of our program schedule (clinical mental health track and dual track). The Internship experience needs to be congruent with the population of the students' chosen track.

Row #	Number	Title	Credits	<u>Format Options</u> Format options published per term in the course catalog	<u>Semester</u> See the Sample Plan of Study schedule	Pre-or Co-requisites
1	CSL 5010	Counseling Theories	3			
2	CSL 5011	Career Counseling	3			
3	CSL 5020	Counseling in Groups	3			
4	CSL 5030	Lab Experience in Counseling I	3			
5	CSL 5110	Counseling and Addictive Behaviors	3			CSL 5010
6	CSL 5120	Family Counseling	3			CSL 5010
7	CSL 5130	Psychopathology	3			
8	CSL 5140	Legal and Ethical Issues in Counseling	3			CSL 5010
9	CSL 5211	Lifespan Development	3			
10	CSL 5212	Social and Cultural Foundations of Counseling	3			CSL 5010
11	CSL 5910	Research Methods in Counseling	3			
12	CSL 5160	Psychopharmacology	3			

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13	CSL 6050 Laboratory Experience in Counseling II: Treatment Modalities	3			CSL 5030
14	CSL 6632 Evaluation and Measurement	3			
15	CSL XXXX Elective 1	3			
16	CSL XXXX Elective 2	3			
17	CSL 6880 Seminar and Internship	6 per semester (total of 12 )			CSL 5140, CSL 6050
18	CSL 8010 Comprehensive Exam	1			

Core Courses: Required for <i>Clinical Mental Health Track</i>						
Notes for Program Evaluation:						
Row #	Number	Title	Credits	Format Options See the Sample Plan of Study schedule	Semester See the Sample schedule	Pre- or Co-requisites
1	CSL 5160 Psychopharmacology		3			
2	CSL 5910 Research Methods in Counseling		3			
3	CSL 6050 Laboratory Experience II: Treatment Modalities		3			CSL 5030
4	CSL XXXX Elective 1		3			
5	CSL XXXX Elective 2		3			
6	CSL 6880 Seminar and Internship		6 per semester – total of 12			CSL 5140, CSL 6050
7	CSL 8010 Comprehensive Exam		1			

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### Core Courses: Required for Dual Track – Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling Track

#### Notes for Program Evaluation:

Row #	Number	Title	Credits	Format Options See the Sample Plan of Study schedule	Semester See the Sample schedule	Pre- or Co- requisites
1	CSL 5220	Comprehensive School Counseling	3			
2	CSL 5810	Fieldwork for School Counseling	3			CSL 5220
3	CSL 6030	Curriculum and Classroom Management	3			CSL 5010, CSL 5030
4	CSL XXXX	Elective 1	3			
5	CSL 6110	Counseling Children	3			
6	CSL 6720	School Counseling Seminar	1.5 per semester – total of 3			CSL 5810
7	CSL 6820	School Counseling Internship	4.5 per semester – total of 9			