



# ST. BONAVENTURE UNIVERSITY

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# MSED in Counselor Education – Clinical Mental Health Counseling

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This degree is designed for individuals who wish to serve as counselors in clinical-based agencies – for example, mental health, social services, college counseling and probations. The degree provides extended research-based knowledge and skill development in the areas of group and individual counseling, testing, diagnosis and treatment planning.

St. Bonaventure's counseling programs are accredited by CACREP, The Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs.

## INFORMATION ABOUT CERTIFICATION

The degree in Counselor Education – Clinical Mental Health Counseling DOES NOT meet the criteria for professional teaching certification in the state of New York.

St. Bonaventure is now an OASAS provider of the 85 required continuing education hours en route to the CASAC credential (credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor).

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS\*

Admission to this degree program is based on:

1. Official transcripts of all prior college work (3.00 GPA out of 4.00 is the working standard)
2. Two letters of recommendation
3. Interview
4. Writing sample (questions provided)

*\*State law requires SBU to collect immunization records from students taking six or more credit hours in any semester.*

## INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENT

Students are expected to complete two semester-long internships of 300 clock hours each, with a qualified supervisor who is licensed in a profession that is authorized to practice mental health counseling and psychotherapy in the jurisdiction AND who demonstrates competence in mental health counseling, through national certification and/or three years of licensed experience in the practice of the profession. This experience is arranged with the adviser and takes place during the final year of the program. This experience should be discussed with the adviser early in the program so the appropriate arrangements can be made.

## MS OPTION

Students anticipating a research-oriented doctoral program or with research interest may elect to write a thesis. The thesis students will then replace one of the electives.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS\* (60 CREDITS)

CE 500	Research Methods
CE 510	Introduction to the Profession of Counseling
CE 511	Advanced Human Growth and Development
CE 530	Techniques of Counseling
CE 540	Abnormal Psychology
CE 550	Group Counseling
CE 560	Psychological Testing and Assessment
CE 570	Career Counseling
CE 610	Practicum in Counseling
CE 634	Counseling Interventions: Child & Adult
CE 625A	Internship 1: Clinical Mental Health Counseling
CE 625B	Internship 2: Clinical Mental Health Counseling
CE 634	Interventions in School and CMH Counseling
CE 636	Seminar in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
CE 637	Management for Clinical Mental Health Programs
CE 638	Multicultural Counseling
CE 649	Family Counseling
CE	Electives (4)

*\*For course descriptions, go to [www.sbu.edu/graduate](http://www.sbu.edu/graduate) and click on the Graduate Catalog link on the lower right.*

## EXIT CRITERIA

In order to be awarded the degree in Counselor Education – Clinical Mental Health Counseling, a student will be evaluated on the following exit criteria:

1. A cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 (working standard)
2. Successful completion of the internship
3. Submission of a portfolio showing professional growth and accomplishments
4. Successful completion of the comprehensive examination

## LOCATIONS & FORMATS

The program is offered in Olean and online. Olean: Traditional 15-week format; classes at 4:30 and 7:10 p.m. Mon.-Thurs.; field requirements primarily during the weekdays. For online program requirements, visit [online.sbu.edu](http://online.sbu.edu).