

# COUNSELING, MINOR

Counseling is an essential component across disciplines in psychology, education, social work, and related health professions. The foundational body of knowledge and development of introductory skills in the field of counseling are applicable to students pursuing these professions.

A counseling minor would enable individuals to empower diverse individuals, families, and groups to accomplish mental health, wellness, education, and career goals and overcome personal challenges and obstacles in a variety of settings.

## Requirements

### Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
ED PSY 212	Career Planning and Development for the Multicultural Workplace	3
ED PSY 220	Positive Psychology Applied to Culture, Learning, & Development	3
COMMUN 350 or COMMUN 402	Intercultural Communication Gender and Communication	3
ED PSY 330 or ED PSY 640	Introduction to Learning and Development Human Development: Theory and Research	3
COUNS 403	Overview of Counseling Skills	3
COUNS 600	Introduction to Clinical Mental Health Counseling	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>18</b>

### Completion

- 18 credits, at least 9 at the 300 level and above;
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 on all credits in the minor, including UWM and transfer credits.

## Undergraduate Advising

Our purpose is to provide collaborative, mentoring relationships which promote educational, career, and professional development. We value a student-centered, holistic, and ethical approach to advising based on strong partnerships with students, faculty and staff, and the larger campus community. We are committed to creating a respectful and supportive environment. We encourage students to be self-reliant through informed decisions and choices based upon dissemination of accurate information. We value our own continuous professional development to enhance the quality of the advising experience.

### How to Prepare for an Advising Meeting

- Review your Advisement Report in PAWS (<http://uwm.edu/registrar/academic-unit-services/paws-academic-advisement/>).
- Come prepared with questions or topics for discussion.
- Make a list of courses you think you should take.
- Investigate opportunities to prepare for the job you want.
- Keep a record of your academic progress.
- Understand you are ultimately responsible for creating your educational, life, and career plans.
- Maintain honest and open communication with your advisor.
- Take responsibility for choices you make as a student and member of the UW-Milwaukee community.

### Scheduling an Appointment

Office of Student Services  
Enderis Hall, Room 209  
(414) 229-4721  
[soeinfo@uwm.edu](mailto:soeinfo@uwm.edu)

### Graduate Advising

If you are a School of Education graduate student, you may schedule an appointment with your faculty advisor by contacting your faculty advisor directly. Faculty contact information can be found in the Directory (<https://uwm.edu/education/directory/>). Your faculty advisor will be listed in your PAWS account.