Master of Science in School Counseling
Pupil Personnel Services (PPS) Credential

Quick Look 2014-2015

Length of Program: 48 units (7 semesters)
Approximate Cost: $575 per unit; $27,600 plus $355 per semester general fee
Program Starts: Fall (September) and/or Spring (January), as cohorts form
Application Deadlines: Applications should be completed at least 30 days prior to the start of desired semester of enrollment
Program Format: Classes typically offered Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 -9:30 pm; some Saturday classes required
GPA Requirement: 3.0. Low GPA may be overcome w/satisfactory GRE or CSET score
GRE Requirement: GRE **not** required for applicants who meet GPA requirement
Accreditation: Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)
*Requirements and costs subject to revision without notice

Application Requirements

1. Application for admission with a $45 non-refundable graduate application fee
2. Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution or the evaluated equivalency with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Applicants with a GPA below 3.0 may be considered for admission
3. Official sealed transcripts from all colleges and universities attended sent: *attention Graduate Admissions*
4. Three recommendations from professional sources who can address your potential for success in education. Family and friends may not complete recommendations.
5. Comprehensive essay* of at least 500 words that includes the following:
   - Purpose for entering the program
   - Why you are suited to be a school counselor
   - Reasons for choosing to study at CBU
6. Certificate of Clearance (CoC)* issued by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing
7. California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST)*
8. Prerequisites:
   - General Psychology
   - Introductory Statistics
   - Life Span Development **or** Growth, Development & Learning
   - Abnormal Psychology **or** Theories of Personality
9. Successful interview(s) with the Director of the Graduate Program in School Counseling
10. An applicant whose first language is not English and/or does not have a degree from an institution where English is the primary language of instruction is required to demonstrate English proficiency by submitting a recent test score from Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS).
    ***Documents can be sent to**
    graduateadmissions@calbaptist.edu

Course Requirements

Core Requirements		**30 units**
PPS 503	Counseling Theory	3
PPS 512	Counseling Techniques for Exceptional Children	3
PPS 513	Advanced Psychopathology	3
PPS 521	Developing Culturally Competent Practice	3
PPS 533	Crisis Response, Behavior Intervention & Management	3
PPS 541	Human Communication in Group Process	3
PPS 542	Advanced Research Methods	3
PPS 553	Educational Assessment	3
PPS 555	Intervention, Consultation and Collaboration	3
PPS 566	Legal and Ethical Practice for Diverse Groups	3

School Counseling Specialization		**8 units**
PPS 502	Introduction to School Counseling	3
PPS 543	Transition and Career Counseling	3
PPS 550	Practicum: Educational Interventions for Diverse Groups	1
PPS 561	Seminar in Program Design & Evaluation	1

Practicum Course Requirements		**4 units**
PPS 510	Role of School Counselor	1
PPS 520	Counseling Individuals/Groups	1
PPS 540	Personal & Career Assessment	1
PPS 565	Behavioral Assessments and Interventions	1

School Counseling Field Experience Requirements		**6 units**
PPS 576	Fieldwork/Internship I	3
PPS 578	Fieldwork/Internship II	3
Total		**48 units**