

**Counselor Education Program** 

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Dear Colleagues,

I am delighted to report our program vital statistics for Summer 2022 – Spring 2023. The following information has been submitted to CACREP and will be posted to our program website. Thank you for your good work with our students during this year. Virginia Tech has CACREP-accredited master's degree programs in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (60 credits) and School Counseling (60 credits), and a CACREP-accredited doctoral program in Counselor Education ad Supervision (87 credits beyond the master's degree). We have master's degree programs in Roanoke, Virginia, and doctoral degree in Blacksburg, Virginia. The Virginia Tech Counselor Education program is frequently highlighted as an exemplary program at Virginia Tech. Students, faculty, and alumni have been recipients of awards and honors including American Counseling Association Fellows and American Counseling Association Research Awards. The Counselor Education Program at Virginia Tech is part of the School of Education in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences. During this time period, the program had five tenure-line faculty and several outstanding adjunct and affiliated faculty.

In 2022-2023, there were 11 graduates of Virginia Tech's Clinical Mental Health Counseling master's degree program. Of the students admitted, 92% graduated from the program in the expected time period and one will graduate this semester. 100% of those program graduates who sought employment in the counseling field are employed. No information about licensure exams is available at this time. In 2022-2023, there were three graduates of Virginia Tech's School Counseling master's degree program. Of the students admitted, 100% graduated from the program in the expected time period and 100% of those program graduates who sought employment in the counseling field are employed. There is no state licensure exam for School Counselors in Virginia. At present, there are 12 Clinical Mental Health students, 6 School Counseling students, and 17 undeclared master's degree students enrolled. The 17 undeclared master's students will select a track (School or Clinical Mental Health) after completing the Practicum. There is no way to indicate undeclared students on the CACREP Vital Statistics report so they will be divided among the two tracks evenly.

In 2022-2023, there were four graduates of Virginia Tech's Counselor Education and Supervision doctoral degree program. Of the students admitted, 95% graduate from the program in the expected time period (three to seven years, depending on part-time or full-time status) and 100% of those program graduates who sought employment in the counseling field are employed. Most of our doctoral students are licensed as school counselors, LPCs, and/or Nationally Certified Counselors when they enter the program. At present, there are 12 individuals enrolled in the doctoral program.

Sincerely,

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