

COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY, PHD

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Please consult the table below for key information about this degree program's admissions requirements. The program may have more detailed admissions requirements, which can be found below the table or on the program's website.

Graduate admissions is a two-step process between academic programs and the Graduate School. **Applicants must meet the minimum requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/>) of the Graduate School as well as the program(s).** Once you have researched the graduate program(s) you are interested in, apply online (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/>).

Requirements	Detail
Fall Deadline	December 1
Spring Deadline	The program does not admit in the spring.
Summer Deadline	The program does not admit in the summer.
GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	Required.
English Proficiency Test	Every applicant whose native language is not English, or whose undergraduate instruction was not exclusively in English, must provide an English proficiency test score earned within two years of the anticipated term of enrollment. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Requirements for Admission policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241/).
Other Test(s) (e.g., GMAT, MCAT)	n/a
Letters of Recommendation Required	3

Many students who apply to and are enrolled in the PhD program have earned a master's degree (post-MA in counseling or a related field). However, we also offer a "Post-BA" track within our PhD program for highly qualified students who have not yet earned a master's degree in a counseling-related field and wish to apply directly to a PhD program. Having a "Post-BA" track allows us to accept qualified applicants to the PhD program who may have work, volunteer, or research experience in counseling or a related profession, have exhibited a passion for helping others, and/or possess a master's degree in a non-counseling field. Admission to the program is highly competitive. Applicants are responsible for collecting, assembling, and submitting all the pieces of the application by the deadline. Applicants must upload materials to the online application.

Several informational meetings are hosted each fall by the department.

A schedule of meetings and other information can be found on the Information for Prospective PhD Applicants (<https://>

counselingpsych.education.wisc.edu/cp/phd-program/for-prospective-phd-applicants/) page.

Questions can be directed to the Student Services Coordinator. See the People tab (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/counseling-psychology/counseling-ms/#peopletext>) for contact information.

APPLICANTS WITHOUT A MASTER'S DEGREE IN COUNSELING OR RELATED FIELD

The program accepts applications from applicants without a master's degree in counseling. An undergraduate degree in Psychology is recommended. Applicants without a Psychology degree but with substantial undergraduate coursework in introductory psychology and statistics may be considered.

Information and application instructions are found on the program website (<https://counselingpsych.education.wisc.edu/academics/phd-in-counseling-psychology/information-for-phd-applicants/>).