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COUNSELING
PROGRAMS



Our Approach

Combining four core elements—education, innovation, community, and impact—The Chicago School Approach goes beyond academic theory to equip graduates with the practical and solutions-oriented training they'll need to address current challenges and anticipate future needs in their respective fields.

Unlike much of traditional graduate education, The Chicago School Approach is not an intellectual pursuit for the sake of intellectual pursuit. What matters most to us is equipping graduates with the theory, practice, and cultural competence to have a positive impact on individuals, organizations, and communities throughout the world.

“OUR DIVERSITY HERE IS ASTOUNDING. WE CONTINUE TO DEVELOP TO EFFECTIVELY MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR DIVERSE STUDENTS. THE STUDENTS THAT ARE TRAINING TO BE HELPERS OF THE WORLD—HOW CAN WE HELP THEM DEVELOP PROFESSIONALLY?”

—Alyssa Hill, Ed.D.
Director of Student Wellness



EDUCATION

Preparing tomorrow's integrated health professionals.



INNOVATION

Embracing next-gen learning and practice.



COMMUNITY

Creating connection, inclusion, and belonging.



IMPACT

Helping individuals, organizations, and communities.



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Gain Practical Experience at The Chicago School

Since 1979, The Chicago School has been dedicated to providing hands-on training to students in urban, real-world settings.

Our counseling programs foster and expand your intrinsic nature to help those in need. Emphasizing applied research and clinical training, our rigorous coursework teaches you to identify behavioral patterns, diagnose certain

conditions, and address the mental health care needs of individuals, couples, families, communities, and more as a licensed* professional.

Faculty are practitioner-scholars, experts actively working in the field who translate that experience into relevant lessons full of practical knowledge and skills for your professional development.

*For state-specific licensure eligibility information, visit: thechicagoschool.edu/admissions/licensure-disclosures



IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE VERY DIVERSE PROGRAMS AND THAT WE ARE CREATING COUNSELORS WHO WILL GO INTO COMMUNITIES AND REFLECT THOSE COMMUNITIES.”

—Leah Holman, Ph.D.
Clinical Mental Health Counseling Department Chair

Explore Careers in Counseling. With a counseling degree from The Chicago School, you can enter this high-demand field and become a catalyst for positive change—helping others navigate their struggles, build resilience, and ultimately lead more fulfilling lives.



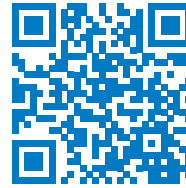
Where you may work:

- Hospitals
- Community-based clinics
- Substance abuse treatment centers
- Mental health centers
- Social service agencies
- Private practice
- Higher education



Career opportunities:

- Marriage and family counselor
- Marriage and family therapist
- Clinical mental health counselor
- Clinical director
- Grant writer
- Department administrator
- Department faculty



APPLY TODAY

Master's Degrees

- **M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Chicago)**
- **M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Washington, D.C.)**
- **M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Online)**

The M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling program at the Chicago, Washington, D.C., and Online campuses are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), meeting their standards with regard to institutional settings, program mission and objectives, program content, practicum experiences, student selection and advising, faculty qualifications and workload, program governance, instructional support, and self-evaluation.

- **M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Dallas)**
- **M.A. Marriage, Couples, and Family Therapy**

The Marriage, Couples, and Family Therapy master's program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).

Doctoral Degrees

- **Psy.D. Marital and Family Therapy**
- **Ph.D. Counselor Education and Supervision**



I HAD A GREAT EXPERIENCE AND BUILT WONDERFUL RELATIONSHIPS DURING MY TIME AT THE CHICAGO SCHOOL. I FELT LIKE I COULD BE MYSELF AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE CONVERSATION AS I LEARNED. I'M SO EXCITED AND HAPPY WITH MY CHOICE.”

—Takisha Bumpers, M.A., LPC
Graduate, Clinical Mental Health Counseling



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