# **Counselor Education Department Evaluation Report: 2018-2019**

## **Overview: Program Evaluation**

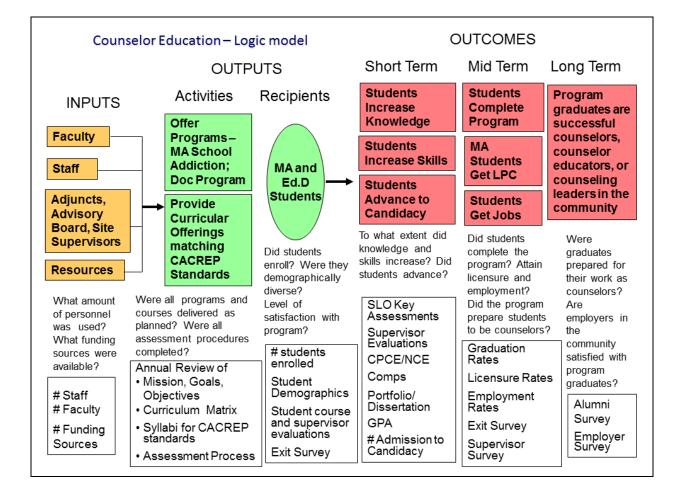
Stakeholders, including current students, faculty, site supervisors, alumni, and community employers, are involved in the evaluation process. The process of evaluation consists of:

- 1. University reports on current students' academic progress.
- 2. Faculty review of professional, personal, and academic development (PPAD) and evaluations of student achievement as related to the student learning outcomes (SLOs) of the program and specialty areas.
- 3. Departmental surveys of current students, program alumni, site supervisors, and employers. Masters' students in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year and 1-, 3-, and 5-year program alumni are asked to provide feedback regarding their experiences in the counseling program through an exit survey and alumni survey. Respondents are asked to rate their level of preparedness on professional identity standards, program objectives, and specialty area program satisfaction. Site supervisors of 3<sup>rd</sup> year students and employers of 1-, 3-, and 5-year alumni are asked to provide feedback regarding preparedness of their supervisee/employee on professional identity standards, program objectives, and specialty area program objectives. Surveys include quantitative and qualitative measures.
- 4. Compilation and analysis of data from the multiple evaluation methods.
- 5. Annual Faculty Work Meetings to review findings, assess current status of all aspects of the programs and suggest changes/modifications in the curriculum, coursework, departmental functioning, faculty activities, student selection and retention activities, student monitoring and other aspects of existing programs.
- 6. Generation of Annual Evaluation Report.
- 7. Sharing findings and suggested changes with students, administration, site supervisors, advisory board members, alumni and others interested in the Counseling Masters' and Doctoral Program at Boise State.

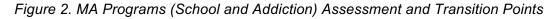
The Program Evaluation Process is overseen by the Chair of the Department Assessment and Evaluation Coordinator. All department faculty are participants in the evaluation process. The Evaluation Plan is systematic and ongoing from year to year. Multiple methods of assessment are used throughout the academic year. Annual assessments include evaluations of current students' academic, professional, and personal development, level of learning based on students' accomplishment of student learning outcomes, development in professional identity, including research and advocacy, ethical and legal issues, advanced counseling skills, and professional and personal growth. All faculty members evaluate the programs, curriculum, coursework, admissions process, and current student functioning. Site supervisors evaluate current students and program outcomes. Graduates are evaluated by assessing alumni knowledge of student learning outcomes and employer evaluations.

The Logic Model that guides the overall evaluation process is depicted in Figure 1.

Figure 1. LOGIC MODEL



The assessment and transition points for short term outcomes for the MA Program and Doctoral Program are depicted in Figures 2 and 3.



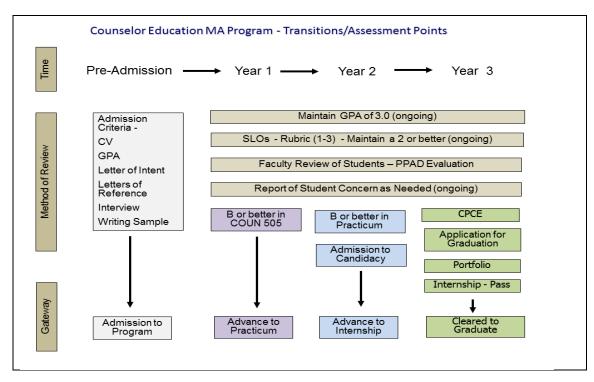


Figure 3. Doctoral Program Assessment and Transition Points

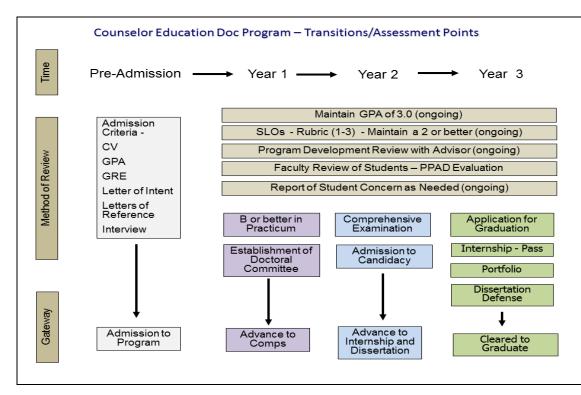


Table 1 presents the timeline used to complete the assessment.

Table 1. Evaluation Timeline

Process Evaluation						
Assessment Measure	Responsible Party	Schedule				
# Students Enrolled	Chair and Advisor	September				
Student Demographics	Chair and Advisor	September				
Student Course Evaluations	Faculty	December; May				
Student Supervisor Evaluations	Practicum and Internship Instructors	December; May				
# Staff; # Faculty, # Adjuncts	Chair	February				
Internal and External Funding Sources	Chair	February				
Review of Mission, Goals, and Objectives	Faculty	April				
Review of Curriculum Matrix	Faculty	April				
Review of Syllabi	Faculty	April				
Review of Assessment Process	Ass and Eval Committee Chair	April				
	Outcome Evaluation					
Assessment Measure	Responsible Party	Schedule				
CPCE pass rate	Advisor	November				
NCE pass rate	Advisor	Мау				
Student Learning Outcomes	Faculty	December, May				
Supervisor Evaluations	Practicum and Internship Supervisors	December, May				
GPA	Advisor	December, May				
# Admission to Candidacy	Advisor	February				
Licensure Rates	Ass and Eval Committee Chair	April				
Employment Rates	Ass and Eval Committee Chair	April				
Exit Survey	Seminar Instructor	April				
Alumni Survey	Ass and Eval Committee Chair	April				
Supervisor Survey	Ass and Eval Committee Chair	April				
Employer Survey	Ass and Eval Committee Chair	April				
Program Development Review	Advisor	April				
PPAD	All Faculty	April				
Portfolio	Advisor	Мау				
Doctoral Comps	Dissertation Chair	Мау				
Dissertation	Dissertation Chair	Мау				

## **Evaluation of Program Inputs**

## Faculty, Adjunct Faculty, Staff

The Department of Counselor Education has 5 full-time faculty members. Faculty workload consists of teaching, research, service, and administrative activities, with 50% of time typically devoted to teaching. Of the 23 required courses and 4 specialty area courses in the MA Program, adjunct faculty taught 5 courses and provided practicum lab supervision, and doctoral students taught 4 courses under the direction of full-time faculty. The number of courses taught by adjunct faculty was high this year due to teaching buyouts from faculty grants. For the Doctoral program, Counselor Education Faculty taught all of the Counselor Education and Supervision core courses and College of Education Faculty taught additional courses for the doctorate. The Department has one part time Administrative Assistant.

#### Site Supervisors and Advisory Board

Internship Site Supervisors continue to play an invaluable role in the education and development of our students. Site supervisors provide ratings on skill-based SLOs during the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the MA Program, as well as completing a survey assessing Professional Identity Standards and Program Objectives. A site supervisor Appreciation Luncheon was held in the Fall 2018 semester to recognize the contributions of our site supervisors and provide a supervision and ethics training.

Advisory Board members participate in the selection of MA students each year by reviewing applications and participating in applicant interviews. The Advisory Board also met to discuss the addiction and school emphasis curriculum, internship experience, and other issues specific to the addiction and school programs.

Site Supervisors and Advisory Board Members, along with current students and alumni, are also called upon to review the mission statement and program objectives. Input from these key stakeholders is used to modify the mission statement and program objectives.

# **Evaluation of Program Outputs**

#### Program Activities

The Counselor Education Department offered a MA in Counseling Program with a School Counseling cognate area and Addiction Counseling cognate area.

The MA and Doctoral curriculum were reviewed during bi-weekly faculty meetings. Curricular offerings are aligned with CACREP standards and SLOs and key assessments have been placed throughout the program offerings. Knowledge SLOs are generally measured in the early part of the program, whereas skill SLOs, which build upon knowledge, are generally measured in the final year of the program.

The assessment and evaluation procedure were reviewed this year. The procedure was approved and will be reviewed again next year. The faculty met in the Spring 2019 semester to review the mission, goals, and objectives of the Counselor Education Department. The mission, goals, and objects are aligned with those of the University and the College.

#### Program Applications and Enrollment

In 2018-2019, we received 74 applications for our MA programs (41 school, 15 addiction, 7 withdrew before review, 7 requested to move to future application cycle, 5 incomplete). We admitted 24 students as the 2019 MA cohort. There were 70 students enrolled in the MA Counseling Program and 3 students enrolled in the Doctoral Program for the 2018-2019 academic year. Table 2 presents number of students enrolled by cohort year and program. Demographic diversity is presented in Tables 3 - 5.

		Doctoral		
Year	School	Addiction	Total	Program
2016	16	6	22	1
2017	18	6	24	1
2018	19	5	24	1
2019*	16*	8*	24*	0
TOTAL	53 (76%)	17 (24%)	70	3

Table 2. Enrollment MA Program and Doctoral Program

\*Excluded from enrollment counts for 2018-2019 academic year

Cohort	Ge	nder		Ethnicity				
	Male	Female	White	Hispanic/Latino or Spanish Origin	Asian- American	African- American	Native American	Other or Not Known
2016	4	12	11	5	0	1	0	4
2017	1	16	13	3	1	2	1	0
2018	1	18	16	3	0	0	0	1
2019*	2	14	15	1	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	6	46	34	8	1	3	1	5
	(12%)	(88%)	(77%)	(21%)	(2%)	(6%)	(2%)	(10%)

Table 3. Student Demographics – School Program

All Enrolled School Students - Ethnicity by Gender								
	WhiteHispanic/Latino or Spanish OriginAsian- AmericanAfrican- AmericanNative AmericanOther or Not Known							
Male	4	2	0	1	0	0		
Female	36	9	1	2	1	4		

\*Admitted student cohort not included in totals.

Table 4. Student Demographics – Addiction Program

Cohort		Gender			Ethnicity				
	Male	Female	No Response	White	Hispanic/Latino or Spanish Origin	Asian- American	African- American	Native American	Other or Not Known
2016	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
2017	1	4	1	5	0	0	1	0	0
2018	1	5	0	5	0	0	1	0	0
2019*	2	6	0	7	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	2	15	1	16	0	0	2	0	1
	(11%)	(83%)	(6%)	(89%)	(0%)	(0%)	(11%)	(0%)	(0%)

All Enrolled Addiction Students - Ethnicity by Gender								
	White	Hispanic/Latino or Spanish Origin	Asian- American	African- American	Native American	Other or Not Known		
Male	2	0	0	0	0	0		
Female	13	0	0	2	0	0		
No Response	1	0	0	0	0	0		

\*Admitted student cohort not included in totals.

Table 5. Student Demographics – Doctoral Program

Cohort	Ge	nder			Ethnicity			
	Male	Female	White	Hispanic	Asian- American	African- American	Native American	Other or Not Known
2016	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
2017	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
2018	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
2019	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
	(0%)	(100%)	(100%)	(0%)	(0%)	(0%)	(0%)	(0%)

All Enrolled Doctoral Students - Ethnicity by Gender								
	WhiteHispanicAsian- AmericanAfrican- AmericanNative AmericanOther or Not Known							
Male	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Female	3	0	0	0	0	0		

# Summary of Findings

The MA program has an average of 20 - 25 students per cohort with about 76% in the school program and 24% in the addiction program. Students are predominantly female and white. The Doctoral program currently admits one student per year. Six of the students admitted have been female, one male, and all have been white.

The MA program aims to graduate approximately 20 students per year. In general, 23 - 25 students are admitted as faculty anticipate a 10% attrition rate from orientation to fall enrollment and an additional 10% attrition rate from fall orientation to graduation.

#### Student Satisfaction with Program

Student program satisfaction is measured and the Student Exit Survey and Alumni Survey. Results are presented in Table 6.

Table 6. MA and Doctoral Program 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Students Satisfaction with Program (Percent Satisfied or Very Satisfied)

	MA Program*	Doc Program**
Program Area	Mean	Mean
Faculty		
Faculty Expertise	4.9	5.0
Faculty Accessibility	4.8	5.0
Quality of Instruction	4.4	5.0
Quality of Advising	4.7	5.0
Assistance with Licensure and Certification	3.9	-
Curriculum		
Content Coverage	4.2	4.0
Course Sequencing	3.9	4.0
Course Availability	4.3	5.0
Number of Electives	3.6	5.0
Program Flexibility	4.0	5.0
Clinical Courses		
Practicum Quality	4.2	4.0
Internship Availability	4.2	3.0
Internship Quality	4.3	3.0
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Student Overall Satisfaction	4.3	5.0
Alumni Overall Satisfaction <sup>+</sup>	3.9	

\*Note. N = 22; \*\* N = 1; \*Note. N = 13, MA Program.

#### Summary of Findings

Quantitative data indicate overall satisfaction with the program. Quantitative findings from the Exit Survey indicate current 3<sup>rd</sup> year student were most satisfied faculty expertise, accessibility, and quality of advising and least satisfied with assistance with licensure and certification, course

sequencing, program flexibility, and number of electives offered. Overall, quantitative data indicate high levels of satisfaction with both the MA and Doctoral Programs.

## **Evaluation of Program Outcomes**

#### Professional, Personal, and Academic Review

All students are reviewed at least once a year to assess professional, personal, and academic development. All faculty participate in the review. Students are required to meet a standard of professional ethical behavior, and appropriate personal behavior, as well as participate in professional and personal growth and development activities.

Faculty concerns regarding individual students were discussed at faculty meetings and students were reviewed by the faculty using the Professional, Personal, and Academic Development form (PPAD). The PPAD was developed by the faculty in 2013. Table 7 indicates average scores on the PPAD in the areas of professional, personal, and academic development by cohort.

Table 7. Faculty Ratings of Students' Professional, Personal, and Academic Development	1
(PPAD – 1-3 scale)	

	MA 2016 Cohort	MA 2017 Cohort	MA 2018 Cohort	All Doc Students
Compliance with ACA Standard C.5	100%	100%	100%	100%
Compliance with ACA Standard F.8.a	100%	100%	100%	100%
Professional Development	3.0	2.1	2.0	3.0
Personal Development	3.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
Academic Development	3.0	2.0	1.9	3.0
Total PPAD	3.0	2.0	2.0	3.0

There were 3 students who received scores of < 2.0 on one or more of the PADD areas. Table 8 indicates the cohort, area of concern, PPAD rating, and action taken by faculty in response to the area of concern.

Faculty also review student issues at faculty meetings as needed. These discussions may also result in areas of professional, personal, and academic development and remediation/dismissal from program. There was one additional students identified outside of the PPAD process.

Cohort	Area of Concern	PPAD Rating	Action
2017	Academic	1.7	Student met with advisor and was sent a letter of concern.

2017	Academic	1.7	Student met with advisor and was sent a letter of concern.
2018	Academic	1.7	Student met with advisor and was sent a letter of concern.

Students are also required to maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher, achieve grades of C or better in all graduate level courses, and achieve a B- or better in COUN 505 (Counseling Skills) and COUN514/516 (MA Practicum I and II), COUN614 and COUN 616 (Doc Practicum I and II), and a Pass in COUN526/528 (MA Internship I and II), COUN626 and COUN628 (Doc Internship I and II), and COUN592/692 (MA and Doc Portfolio). Doctoral students also complete a Program Development Form with the Doctoral Advisor every year to determine expected progress in academic development.

Students are also sent a letter of concern when they receive a C in any of their coursework or dismissal from the program if retention and remediation planning are not successful and this pattern continues. Table 9 indicates the term, cohort, course where problems occurred and action taken by faculty in response to the academic problem.

Term	Cohort	Course	Grade	Action
Fall 2018	2018	COUN 502	С	Cohort Advisor met with student.
Fall 2018	2018	COUN 550	С	Instructor met with student (also serves as Cohort Advisor).
Fall 2018	2017	COUN 549	W	Instructor met with student. Re-taking course next academic year.
Spring 2019	2018	COUN 509	F	Student discontinuing program.
Spring 2019	2018	COUN 506	F	Student discontinuing program.

Table 9	Academic	Develo	nment	Problems
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# Summary of findings

Three MA students were identified by the faculty regarding personal, professional, or academic areas on the PPAD. In all cases, the advisor discussed the concern with the students. Three students were placed on remediation plans, one as a result of a concern outside of the PPAD process. There was also one student who was placed on academic probation by the graduate college (GPA <3.0) and this was discussed with the cohort advisor. There were no problems identified for our doctoral students in the areas of professional, personal, or academic development.

# CACREP Professional Identity Standards

CPCE scores were reviewed to assess knowledge and performance on Professional Identity Standards for MA students. Fall 2018 CPCE pass rates by specific identity standard area are shown in Table 10. All students who did not pass the original CPCE area were given the opportunity to take an exam in fall 2018. All students passed all sections.

Professional Identity Standard	Initial Pass Rate	Final Pass Rate
CPCE		
Professional Orientation and Ethical Practice	95%	100%
Social and Cultural Diversity	95%	100%
Human Growth and Development	100%	100%
Career Development	100%	100%
Helping Relationships	95%	100%
Group Work	95%	100%
Assessment	91%	100%
Research and Program Evaluation	95%	100%

Table 10. CPCE Pass Rates by Professional Identity Standard Area

Performance on key assessments in doctoral courses was reviewed to assess knowledge and performance on Professional Identity Standards for doctoral students. Ratings on key assessments by specific identity standard area are shown in Table 11. All doctoral professional identity standards were met.

 Table 11. Doctoral Professional Identity Standards (1-3 scale)

Doctoral Professional Identity Standard	Rating
Theories pertaining to the principles and practice of counseling, career development, group, systems, consultation, and crises, disasters, and other trauma-causing events.	3.0
Theories and practices of counselor supervision.	3.0
Instructional theories and methods relevant to counselor education.	3.0
Pedagogy relevant to multicultural issues and competencies, including social change theory and advocacy action planning.	3.0
Design, implementation, and analysis of quantitative and qualitative research.	*
Knows models and methods of instrument design.	*
Ethical and legal considerations in counselor education and supervision (e.g., ACA Code of Ethics, other relevant codes of ethics, standards of practice.	3.0

\*Note: No student enrolled in COUN 612 for these measurements this academic year.

CACREP Professional Identity Standards for MA students are also assessed through Exit, Supervisor, Alumni, and Employer Surveys. Survey results for MA students are shown in Table 12.

	Mean			
	Mid-Term Outcomes Long-Term Outco			Outcomes
MA Program Professional Identity Standards	Exit Survey ( <i>N</i> = 22)	Supervisor Survey ( <i>N</i> = 36)	Alumni Survey ( <i>N</i> = 9)	Employer Survey ( <i>N</i> = 3)
Core Average	3.97	4.31	3.94	4.55
Professional orientation and ethical practice including an understanding aspects of professional functioning	4.45	4.53	4.56	5.00
Social and cultural diversity including an understanding of the cultural context of relationships, issues, and trends in a multicultural society	4.09	4.58	4.19	4.50
Human growth and development including an understanding of the nature and needs of persons at all developmental levels and in multicultural contexts	3.86	4.39	3.88	4.75
Career development including an understanding of career development and related life factors	3.91	4.00	3.07	3.75
Helping relationships including an understanding of the counseling process in a multicultural society	4.59	4.61	4.25	5.00
Group work including an understanding of group purpose, development, dynamics, theories, methods, skills, and other group approaches in a multicultural society	3.68	4.33	3.81	4.67
Assessment including an understanding of individual and group approaches to assessment and evaluation in a multicultural society	3.41	4.14	3.56	4.75
Research and program evaluation including an understanding of research methods, statistical analysis, needs assessment, and program evaluation	3.77	3.92	4.19	4.00

Table 12. MA Professional Identity Standards (1-5 Scale)

Overall, data for MA students indicate lower levels of knowledge in Assessment and Testing relative to other courses. This course is a summer course offering. While student perception of their Assessment knowledge for both mid-term and long-term outcomes are lower than other courses, both supervisors and employers have higher perceptions of their supervisee/employee's knowledge in this area.

#### Summary of Findings

All MA students passed all sections of the CPCE, indicating the majority of students are demonstrating knowledge in all areas of CACREP Professional Standards in the short-term. Additionally, findings from surveys also indicate MA students are demonstrating performance in all areas of CACREP Professional Standards, with an average performance of 4.14 for mid-term outcomes and of 4.23 for long-term outcomes. Survey data indicate relative areas of weakness are in Career and Assessment knowledge. Doctoral Professional Identity Standards were all met.

#### CACREP SLOs

SLOs were measured through Key Assessments in both core and specialty courses. Performance on SLOs are rated through rubrics with a 1-3 scale (1 = Does Not Meet Standard; 2 = Meets Standard; 3 = Exceeds Standard). Students are required to achieve a minimum score of 2.0 on each SLO. Students receiving a score lower than a 2.0 on an SLO are required to complete additional assignments until the SLO is met at a level of at least a 2.0. Table 13 indicates the term, cohort, and course where the problem occurred and actions taken by the faculty. All doctoral student SLOs measured in 2018-2019 were passed.

Term	Cohort	Course	SLO	# of Students	Action
Fall 2018	2018	COUN 545	Addiction A.7	1	Student worked with instructor on these SLOs during supervision. SLOs achieved at ≥2.0.
Fall 2018	2018	COUN 545	Addiction A.9	2	Students worked with instructor on these SLOs during supervision. SLOs achieved at $\geq$ 2.0.
Fall 2018	2018	COUN 545	Addiction A. 10	1	Student worked with instructor on these SLOs during supervision. SLOs achieved at <u>&gt;</u> 2.0.

#### Table 13. Academic Development Problems

Average CACREP SLOs for the MA in School Counseling, MA in Addiction Counseling, and the Doctoral Program are reported by SLO area in Tables 14 - 16.

Table 14. CACREP School Counseling SLOs (1-3 scale)

	CACREP School Counseling SLOs				
Standard	Student Learning Outcome Area	Score			
A.1 – A.7	Foundations - Knowledge	2.78			
B.1 – B.2	Foundations - Skills	2.96			
C.1 – C.6	Counseling, Prevention, and Intervention - Knowledge	2.77			
D.1 – D.5	Counseling, Prevention, and Intervention - Skills	2.80			
E.1 – E.4	Diversity and Advocacy - Knowledge	2.99			
F.1 – F.4	Diversity and Advocacy - Skills	2.85			
G.1 – G.3	Assessment – Knowledge	2.46			
H.1 – H.5	Assessment - Skills	2.89			
I.1 – I.5	Research and Evaluation - Knowledge	2.56			
J.1 – J.3	Research and Evaluation - Skills	2.81			
K.1 – K.3	Academic Development - Knowledge	2.99			
L.1 – L.3	Academic Development - Skills	2.71			
M.1 – M.7	Collaboration and Consultation - Knowledge	2.60			
N.1 – N.5	Collaboration and Consultation - Skills	2.77			
0.1 – 0.5	Leadership - Knowledge	2.82			
P.1 – P.2	Leadership - Skills	2.69			

Table 15. CACREP Addiction Counseling SLOs (1-3 scale)

# CACREP Addiction Counseling SLOs

Standard	Student Learning Outcome Area	Score
A.1 – A.10	Foundations - Knowledge	2.64
B.1 – B.2	Foundations - Skills	2.65
C.1 – C.8	Counseling, Prevention, and Intervention - Knowledge	2.87
D.1 – D.9	Counseling, Prevention, and Intervention - Skills	2.84
E.1 – E.4	Diversity and Advocacy - Knowledge	2.69
F.1 – F.3	Diversity and Advocacy - Skills	2.80
G.1 – G.4	Assessment – Knowledge	2.92
H.1 – H.5	Assessment - Skills	2.89
I.1 – I.3	Research and Evaluation - Knowledge	2.75
J.1 – J.3	Research and Evaluation - Skills	2.88
K.1 – K.4	Diagnosis - Knowledge	2.84
L.1 – L.2	Diagnosis - Skills	2.80

# 2.84

 Table 16. CACREP Doctoral Program SLOs (1-3 scale)
 1-3 scale)

CACREP Doctoral Standards Counselor Education and Supervision SLOs			
Standard Student Learning Outcome Area			
A.1 – A.4	Supervision - Knowledge	3.0	
B.1 – B.2	Supervision - Skills	3.0	
C.1 – C.3	Teaching - Knowledge	3.0	
D.1 – D.3	Teaching - Skills	3.0	

E.1 – E.4	Research and Scholarship - Knowledge	*
F.1 – F.6	Research and Scholarship - Skills	2.83
G.1 – G.4	Counseling – Knowledge	2.83
H.1 – H.3	Counseling - Skills	2.83
1.1 – 1.4	Leadership and Advocacy - Knowledge	2.5
J.1 – J.2	Leadership and Advocacy - Skills	3.0

\*Note: No student enrolled in COUN 612 for these measurements this academic year.

#### Summary of Findings

SLO ratings indicate students are meeting the student learning outcomes in both the MA school and addiction programs, as well as the doctoral program.

#### Program Objectives

The Counselor Education Department has established Program Objectives for the MA and Doctoral Program. MA objectives are in the areas of Professional Identity, Ethical and Legal Issues, Advanced Counseling Skills, and Professional and Personal Growth and Wellness. Doctoral objectives are in the areas of Professional Identity, Counselor Education and Supervision, Counseling Practice, and Counseling Research.

Program Objectives are measured by performance in Portfolio, which is the program capstone experience for both the MA and Doctoral Programs. Average scores on the MA and Doctoral program objectives are shown in Table 17.

Table 17. MA and Doctoral Program Objectives Measured by Performance in Portfolio (1-3 scale)

MA Program Objectives – Short-Term Outcomes	Mean
Professional Identity	> 2.0
Mastery of core counseling knowledge necessary for licensure, certification, and counseling practice in a multicultural and pluralistic society	2.95
Identification of a guiding theory of counseling that will serve as a foundation for counseling and demonstrate knowledge of the techniques/ procedures, processes, cultural applications, and limitations of the guiding theory	2.9
Development of a counselor identity including holding membership in professional counseling organizations, attaining certifications and licensure within the counseling profession, and advocating for policies, programs, and	
services that are equitable	3

Use the research literature to enhance counseling practice and develop, manage, and evaluate counseling practice through action research and program evaluation	2.77
Ethical and Legal Practice	> 2.0
Identifying an ethical decision making model that will serve as a guide for navigating ethical issues that arise in practice Use of ethical decision	
making in counseling practice	2.8
Use of ethical decision making in counseling practice	2.9
Advanced Counseling Skills	> 2.0
Advanced counseling skills and the ability to work with students and/or clients from diverse backgrounds for a variety of presenting problems and developmental issues utilizing individual and group interventions	2.8
Theoretical case conceptualization, the ability to formulate counseling goals, and the use of counseling skills consistent with theoretical orientation	2.86
Development and maintenance of culturally responsive counseling relationships	2.9
Professional and Personal Growth and Wellness	> 2.0
Developing a plan for professional and personal growth and wellness	2.86
Recognizing one's own strengths and limitations through participation in counseling supervision and professional and personal development activities	
	2.9
Participating in seminars, workshops or other activities that contribute to professional and personal growth	2.86

Doctoral Program Objectives – Short-Term Outcomes	Mean
Professional Identity	> 2.0
Demonstrates knowledge of ethical issues, practices, codes of ethics, and legal guidelines in counseling	3.0
Demonstrates leadership, advocacy, and service in professional counseling organizations	3.0
Counselor Education and Supervision	> 2.0
Counselor Education and Supervision Demonstrates a consistent instructional theory and diverse methods of instruction relevant to counselor education, including attention to current social and cultural issues	> <b>2.0</b> 3.0

Counseling Practice	> 2.0
Demonstrate knowledge and skills of an advanced level counselor through consistent theoretically-based clinical practice with clients of diverse backgrounds and presenting issues	3.0
Demonstrate knowledge of theories pertaining to the principles and practice of counseling, career development, group work, systems, consultation, and crises, disasters, and other trauma causing events	3.0
Research	> 2.0
Designs and implements quantitative and qualitative research	3.0
Disseminates research through professional conference presentations and publication	3.0

Program objectives for the MA Program, specialty area programs (School and Addiction), and Doctoral program objectives are also assessed through Exit, Supervisor, Alumni, and Employer Surveys. Survey results for the MA and Doctoral program are shown in Table 18 - 21.

Table 18.	Program	Objectives	(1-5 Scale)
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	Mean			
MA Program Objectives	Mid-Term	Outcomes	Outcomes Long-Term	
	Exit Survey ( <i>N</i> = 22)	Supervisor Survey ( <i>N</i> = 36)	Alumni Survey ( <i>N</i> = 15)	Employer Survey ( <i>N</i> = 2)
Professional Identity				
Mastery of core counseling knowledge necessary for licensure, certification, and counseling practice in a multicultural and pluralistic society	4.18	4.75	4.53	5.00
Identification of a guiding theory of counseling that will serve as a foundation for counseling and demonstrate knowledge of the techniques/ procedures, processes, cultural applications, and limitations of the guiding theory	4.32	4.64	4.00	4.67

Development of a counselor identity including holding membership in professional counseling organizations, attaining certifications and licensure within the counseling profession, and advocating for policies, programs, and services that are equitable	4.41	4.47	4.40	3.67
Use the research literature to enhance counseling practice and develop, manage, and evaluate counseling practice through action research and program evaluation	4.23	4.28	4.20	3.67
Ethical and Legal Practice				
Identifying an ethical decision making model that will serve as a guide for navigating ethical issues that arise in practice Use of ethical decision making in counseling practice	4.77	4.72	4.73	5.00
Use of ethical decision making in counseling practice	4.82	4.81	4.80	5.00
Advanced Counseling Skills				
Advanced counseling skills and the ability to work with students and/or clients from diverse backgrounds for a variety of presenting problems and developmental issues utilizing individual and group interventions	4.41	4.75	4.33	5.00
Theoretical case conceptualization, the ability to formulate counseling goals, and the use of counseling skills consistent with theoretical orientation	4.23	4.36	4.13	4.67
Development and maintenance of culturally responsive counseling relationships	4.18	4.58	4.20	4.67
Professional and Personal Growth and Wellness				
Developing a plan for professional and personal growth and wellness	4.55	4.56	4.20	4.33
Recognizing one's own strengths and limitations through participation in counseling supervision and professional and personal development activities	4.68	4.67	4.53	4.00

Participating in seminars, workshops or other activities that contribute to professional and personal growth	4.32	4.44	4.53	4.00
Average Program Objectives	4.43	4.59	4.38	4.47

	Mean			
School Program Objectives	Exit Survey ( <i>N</i> = 16)	Supervisor Survey ( <i>N</i> = 31)	Alumni Survey ( <i>N</i> = 8)	Employer Survey ( <i>N</i> = 2)
Understand professional issues specifically related to school counseling	4.56	4.65	3.75	5.00
Provide classroom guidance to promote the academic, career, and personal/social development of students	3.75	4.35	2.13	4.50
Assess student's strengths, needs, and barriers that impeded development, with attention to uniqueness in cultures, language, values, backgrounds, and abilities	4.44	4.45	3.50	5.00
Consult with teachers, staff, and community-based organizations to promote student academic, career, and personal/social development	3.94	4.48	3.87	5.00
Use peer helping strategies in the school counseling program	3.75	4.16	3.38	4.50
Participate in the design, implementation, management, and evaluation of a comprehensive developmental school counseling program	3.88	4.16	3.50	5.00
Plan and present school counseling- related educational programs for use with parents and teachers	3.13	3.48	3.50	4.50
Counsel clients in your area of specialization (e.g. elementary-aged children, adolescents)	4.44	4.58	3.75	5.00
Average School Program Objectives	3.99	4.29	3.42	4.81

 Table 19. School Program Objectives (1-5 Scale)

	Mean			
Addiction Program Objectives	Exit Survey ( <i>N</i> = 6)	Supervisor Survey ( <i>N</i> = 5)	Alumni Survey ( <i>N</i> = 7)	Employer Survey ( <i>N</i> = 1)
Understand professional issues specifically related to addiction counseling	4.83	4.8	3.71	5.00
Use principles and practices of diagnosis, treatment, referral, and prevention of substance use disorders and co- occurring disorders to initiate, maintain, and terminate counseling.	4.00	4.6	4.00	5.00
Counsel clients with addiction and co- occurring disorders	4.33	4.8	3.86	2.00
Conduct an intake interview, a mental status evaluation, a bio-psycho-social history, a mental health history, and a psychological assessment for treatment planning	5.00	4.8	4.29	5.00
Screen for withdrawal symptoms, aggression and danger to self and/or others, as well as co-occurring disorders	4.33	4.8	4.00	5.00
Use diagnostic tools, including the current edition of the DSM and ASAM criteria, to describe the symptoms and clinical presentation of clients with substance use disorders and co- occurring disorders	4.67	4.6	4.14	4.00
Counsel clients in your area of specialization (e.g. adolescents, adults)	4.50	4.6	4.00	4.00
Average Addiction Program Objectives	4.45	4.71	4.00	4.29

# Table 20. Addiction Program Objectives (1-5 Scale)

Doctoral Program Objectives	Mean			
	Mid-Term Outcomes Long-Term Outcom			Outcomes
	Exit Survey ( <i>N</i> = 1)	Supervisor Survey ( <i>N</i> = 1)	Alumni Survey ( <i>N</i> =0)	Employer Survey ( <i>N</i> = 0)
Professional Identity				
Demonstrates knowledge of ethical issues, practices, codes of ethics, and legal guidelines in counseling	5.0	5.0		
Demonstrates leadership, advocacy, and service in professional counseling organizations	5.0	5.0		
Counselor Education and Supervision				
Demonstrates a consistent instructional theory and diverse methods of instruction relevant to counselor education, including attention to current social and cultural issues	5.0	5.0		
Demonstrates a consistent theory of counselor supervision and the ability to supervise counselors in training	5.0	5.0		
Counseling Practice				
Demonstrate knowledge and skills of an advanced level counselor through consistent theoretically-based clinical practice with clients of diverse backgrounds and presenting issues	4.0	5.0		
Demonstrate knowledge of theories pertaining to the principles and practice of counseling, career development, group work, systems, consultation, and crises, disasters, and other trauma causing events	5.0	5.0		

Table 21. Doctoral Program Objectives (1-5 Scale)

Research				
Designs and implements quantitative and qualitative research	5.0	5.0		
Disseminates research through professional conference presentations and publication	5.0	5.0		
Average Doctoral Program Objectives	4.88	5.0	••	

# Summary of Findings

Findings from Portfolio indicate MA and Doctoral students are achieving short-term Program Objectives with scores > 2 for the MA Program and Doctoral Program (on a 3-point scale). Findings from the surveys (ratings on a 5-point scale) also indicate students are achieving Program Objectives, with an average performance from 4.51 for mid-term outcomes and 4.43 for long-term outcomes for MA Program Objectives, from 4.144 for mid-term outcomes and 4.12 for long-term outcomes for School Program Objectives, and from 4.58 for mid-term outcomes and 4.15 for long-term outcomes for Addiction Program Objectives, and 4.94 for mid-term outcomes for Doctoral Program Objectives. Unfortunately, this survey round produced no results for long-term outcomes for the Doctoral Program Objectives. The faculty will explore innovative ways to gather this data in the future.

Relative areas of weakness for the School Program Objectives are in providing educational programs and providing classroom guidance. Areas of relative weakness for the Addiction Program Objectives include counseling clients with co-occurring disorders. This is a specific area for the program faculty to consider.

# Graduation, Program Completion, Licensure, and Job Placement Rates

Program and university records were used to determine number of graduates and completion rates. Licensure and job placement rates were gathered through the Alumni Survey. Number of graduates and completion rates for MA and Doctoral Program students are shown in Tables 22 and 23. Licensure and job placement rates are shown by program in Table 24.

# Table 22. Number of Graduates by Program

	Number of Graduates AY 2018 - 2019	Number of Graduates from Diverse Backgrounds AY 2018 - 2019		
School	16	6		
Addiction	6	0		
Doctoral	1	0		

Cohort	MA School Program		MA Addiction Program		Doctoral Program	
	Completion in 3 years	Completion in 5 years	Completion in 3 years	Completion in 5 years	Completion in 3 years	Completion in 5 years
2011	88%	88%	82%	91%	-	-
2012	63%	77%	43%	72%	100%	100%
2013	94%	100%	100%	100%	0%	0%
2014	63%	80%	67%	80%	0%	100%
2015	62%	-	80%	-	0%	0%
2016	88%	-	100%	-	100%	0%
Average*	76%	86%	79%	86%	40%	40%

Table 23. Completion Rate by Program

\* For MA program, average for 3 year completion is over 5 years and average for 5 year completion is over 3 years.

Table 24. NCC, Licensure, and Job Placement Rates MA Students

	NCE Pass Rate 2016 Cohort	Licensure Rate* 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016 Cohorts	Job Placement as a Counselor* 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016 Cohorts
School	93.75%	100%	86%
Addiction	100%	86%	86%
Doctoral	-	-	100%

\* Data from Alumni Survey

#### Summary of Findings

The MA program was two students above (n = 22) of meeting the target of graduating 20 students. The NCE pass rate for graduating students and the reported licensure rate for alumni is high - only one student surveyed reported they were not licensed and this student is a school counselor. Additionally, results indicate 89% of alumni participating in the survey are employed as counselors.

#### Use of Findings to Inform Program Modifications

Suggestions and modifications were reviewed during bi-monthly faculty meetings. Upon review of the program and data collected, faculty recommended the following:

- 1. Several curriculum changes were proposed in the previous academic year and were instituted. Faculty will continue to monitor the data in relation to the curricular changes that occurred.
- 2. Faculty reviewed the current assessment and evaluation plan and agreed that is satisfactory. Of note, however, was the continued low level of employers responding to the employer survey. Faculty will discuss ways to increase response rates prior to the next survey administration.
- 3. Faculty reviewed the process of evaluating SLOs, Program Objectives. Faculty agreed that the assessment of MA and Doctoral Program Objectives is satisfactory.
- 4. Faculty reviewed the process of using the PPAD to monitor students' professional, personal, and academic development and agreed it is satisfactory.
- 5. Faculty reviewed enrollment trends. Faculty continue to assess the admissions process, and this year piloted a new interview protocol that included a psychometrically validated disposition assessment.
- 6. Faculty reviewed the graduation rate and retention rate. The MA program were above to meeting the target of graduating 20 students (N = 22). Faculty continue to discuss the current retention plan and agreed to continue current retention activities.
- 7. Faculty fully revised department mission and objectives for the MA and Doctoral Programs.
- 8. Retention rates from Orientation to fall 1, as well as from fall 1 to graduation (spring 3) are very good and faculty decided to continue with summer activity aimed at increasing connectivity and sense of belonging.
- 9. Based on curriculum review and survey data, faculty will consider and/or make the following revisions to the curriculum:
  - a. Survey data continue to indicate knowledge in Assessment and Measurement as a relative area of weakness in comparison to other core courses. Starting summer 2019, we will make some revisions to the course and change the instructor from a school psychologist to a counselor educator.
  - b. Prior survey data indicated a need for more training in the areas of classroom guidance, using peer helping strategies, and providing educational programs to teachers/parents within the School Program. A new course was added to the curriculum that the 2018 cohort will take during the Summer 2019 semester, titled COUN 535 Classroom Guidance and Exceptional Learners.