

**Department of Counselor Education—Northeastern Illinois University  
Couple and Family Counseling, M.A. Program Planning Guide**

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Admission \_\_\_\_\_ Semester: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Program Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

Date DPE taken \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

**This program planning guide is merely a blueprint of your intended plan of study. It does not guarantee that you will be able to register for a particular course in a specific semester.**

**COURSES WITH AN ASTERISK (\*) MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE YOU BEGIN PRACTICUM.  
Note: Spr/Su/Fall = Spring/Summer/Fall Semesters**

<b>CORE COURSES (48 credit hours)</b>	<b>Semester Offered</b>	<b>Semester Anticipated</b>	<b>Semester completed</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Instructor</b>
COUN 401 Professional Orientation & Legal/Ethical Practices* (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 402 Developmental Counseling* (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 403 Theories of Counseling* (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 404 Assessment & Evaluation in Counseling* (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 405 Individual Counseling Skills* (3 cr) Prereqs: 401 (or 433) and 403 and 430	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 406 Group Counseling* (3 cr) Prereq: 405	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 408 Research Seminar (3 cr) Prereq: 404	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 409 Career Development* (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 415 Children/Youth in School & Family Systems* (3 cr) Prereq: COUN 402	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 420 Introduction to Family Counseling* (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 421 Advanced Couple & Family Counseling* (3 cr) Prereqs: 401 (or 433) and 403 and 420	Spring				
COUN 425 Diagnosis & Treatment of Addictive Disorders (3 cr) Prereqs: 401 (or 433) and 403	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 427 Diagnostic Systems for Counseling* (3 cr) Prereq: 403	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 430 Social & Cultural Diversity in Counseling* (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
COUN 431 Couple & Family Systems Study (3 cr) Prereqs: 405 and 420	Fall				
COUN 432 Couples Counseling & Human Sexuality* (3 cr) Prereqs: 405, 420	Summer				
<b>ELECTIVE COURSES (3 credit hours)</b>					
Elective Course #1 (consult with program advisor) (3 cr)	Spr/Su/Fall				
<b>CLINICAL COURSES—COUPLE AND FAMILY COUNSELING (9 credit hours)</b>					
COUN 445 Practicum: Group Supervision in Couple & Family Counseling (3 cr) Prereqs: COUN 401,402,403,404,405,406,409,415,420,421,427,430,432, 408,425,431 and approved elective may be taken during Practicum/Internship.	Fall				
COUN 465 Internship I: Group Supervision in Couple & Family Counseling (3 cr) Prereq: COUN 445 with a grade of A or B	Spring				
COUN 475 Internship II: Group Supervision in Couple & Family Counseling (3 cr) Prereq: COUN 465 with a grade of A or B	Summer				

**PROGRESS INDICATORS:**

1. Practicum/Internship: You must apply for Practicum by December 1 prior to the year of your intended placement.
2. Departmental Proficiency Exam (DPE) given in February, June, and October. Must have completed 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 408, 409, 415, 420, 421, 430, 431.
3. Graduation Application: You must apply by the date specified on the NEIU website.
4. Student Responsibility: It is the student's responsibility to become thoroughly familiar with all policies and procedures of the Department and program. See [Counselor Education](#), [Graduate Studies and Research](#), [NEIU](#) websites, including *Student Handbooks and Academic Catalogue*.

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Student Signature

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Program Advisor Signature

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Date of Initial Advisement