

**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/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, 403, 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	Summer				
COUN 432 Couples Counseling & Human Sexuality* (3 cr) Prereqs: 405, 420	Spring				
<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) offered Fall/Spring/Summer. Dates subject to change. See Counselor Education [Current Student Resources](#) link for most recent and accurate dates and instructions.
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