

Pupil Personnel Services Credential: School Counseling

The program for the Pupil Personnel Services Credential in School Counseling is designed to fulfill all the requirements for the State of California to counsel in grades K-12. This 51 semester unit stand alone credential program is designed for students who do not wish to enroll in the M.S. in Counseling program, or for students who hold a previous masters degree in a related field.

Admission to the Program

In addition to the general requirements of the university, specific requirements for admission to classified graduate status are:

1. Attend a Counseling Program information meeting (meeting schedule can be found on the program's website);
2. Submission of an Admissions Portfolio following criteria and guidelines provided at the orientation meeting. Portfolios will be evaluated according to the Counseling Program portfolio rubric. Students will be notified as to the status of their application to enroll in COUN 6220. A completed portfolio contains:
 - a. Admission to CSUSB graduate studies;
 - b. Application and current vita/resume;
 - c. Transcripts of all higher education coursework;
 - d. GPA of 3.0 or higher from all previous undergraduate/graduate work
 - e. Written Personal Statement;
 - f. Three positive recommendations from persons having knowledge of applicant's counseling potential (forms provided by program);
 - g. Evidence of current negative TB test;
 - h. Evidence of CTC clearance or possession of a valid California teaching credential;
 - i. Upon completion of the above requirements, the student's file will be reviewed by an admission committee composed of at least three members of the Counseling faculty. Students will be notified about the result of their application and invited to enroll in COUN 6220
3. Completion of COUN 6220 with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better.
4. Students who do not meet admissions criteria will be notified of their deficiencies.

Recommendation for the Credential

In order to be recommended for a credential, the student must have:

1. A minimum of 51 semester units of graduate-level work, with a minimum of 21 units completed in residency at this university;
2. A grade point average of "B" (3.0) in the course work taken to satisfy the credentialing requirements, including a minimum grade of "B" in COUN 6220 & COUN 6224 , and no grade below a "C" (2.0) or better in all other courses in the program;
3. Completion of a credential program plan of study, certified by a program advisor and the credentialing office of the university;
4. Proof of passing the CBEST exam.

Credential requirements (51 units)

COUN 6220	Introduction to Counseling	3
COUN 6221	Introduction to Research & Evaluation	3
COUN 6222	Law & Ethics in Counseling	3
COUN 6223	Learning Theories	3
COUN 6224	Advanced Counseling	3
COUN 6225	Systems Consultation	3
COUN 6227	Counseling Theories	3
COUN 6229	Socio-Cultural Counseling	3
COUN 6230	Human Development in Counseling	3
COUN 6231	Group Counseling	3
COUN 6232	Career Counseling	3
COUN 6233	Practice Based Placement (Can be taken for up to 3 times for a total of 9 units)	9
COUN 6237	Appraisal	3
COUN 6239	Family Counseling	3
COUN 6240	Professional School Counseling	3
Total Units		51