**SCHOOL COUNSELOR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

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**School Counselor Certification Program**

School Counselor certification: 39-45 credits

The school counselor certification program prepares graduates to become certified elementary, secondary or K-12 school counselors. Applicants must currently hold a master’s degree or higher, preferably in a human services area. Graduates from other majors who have experience in the human service field or who have demonstrated motivation to enter the field of school counseling may also apply.

Transfer credit from previous graduate degrees may satisfy program requirements. Faculty members in the UAF counseling program determine which program requirements have been met. A course of study is designed for each admitted student.

Those wishing to become certified school counselors but who do not have a master’s degree or higher will complete the Master of Education in school counseling.

Complete the following admission requirements:

1. Application to the school counselor certification program follows the same admission requirements and procedures as for the M.Ed. in counseling.
2. Application requires a master’s degree or higher preferably in a human service area such as education, social work, psychology, human services, etc. Graduates from other majors who have experience in the human service field or who have demonstrated motivation to enter the field of school counseling may also apply.

Additional requirements:

1. Submit a disclosure statement upon admission to the program. Resubmit annually.
3. Complete internship placements appropriate to the student’s declared area of interest.
4. Complete background check procedure required by the school internship placement. The procedure varies depending on placement.

**Minimum Requirements for Degree: 39-45 credits**

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