



Division of Counselor Education 2025-2026 Annual Report
M.S. Clinical Mental Health Counseling
M.S. School Counseling

Hello Shenandoah University Program Stakeholders,

The Division of Counselor Education has spent the last year continuing to develop and build excellence in our master's program in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Our faculty, staff, and students continue to contribute meaningful work to the counseling profession and we are excited to share new developments from the past year.

Enrollment/Graduates

We have been recruiting and enrolling students from a variety of walks of life to join the Division of Counselor Education.

Year	Students	Graduates	Exam Pass Rate	Job Placement Rate
2024-2025	12	N/A	N/A	N/A
2025-2026	32	N/A	N/A	N/A

We will graduate our first Clinical Mental Health Counseling cohort in December of 2026.

Assessment

Students graduating in December of 2026 will take the National Clinical Mental Health Counselor Exam in January of 2027.

Program Evaluation

Students are assessed at the end of every semester for each course on key performance indicators as well as behavioral disposition. In the academic year of 2025-2026, students rated an average of 3.86/4.00, demonstrating a strong student population who exhibit professional behaviors aligned with the counseling profession. During the 2025-2026 academic year, five goals and 12 outcomes were utilized to evaluate program and student performance. Of the 12 outcomes, four were exceeded, seven were met, eight were not reported in this academic year, and one was not met. Students showed exceeding competency in ethics, professional orientation, and diagnostic processes. Students demonstrated challenges in meeting multicultural competencies as indicated by key performance indicators. The core faculty within the Division of Counselor Education are assessing the summative assignment and course structure to ensure competency is met in future semesters.

The Clinical Mental Health Counseling program has not yet graduated its first cohort, therefore vital evaluation data has not yet been collected.

Program Developments



We had our first cohort begin clinical courses including individual and group practicum in Spring 2026 and Fieldwork I in Summer 2026. We have a 100% placement rate. We have established affiliation agreements with 19 clinical mental health counseling sites and 2 school counseling sites in preparation for future cohorts.

Throughout the year, we have utilized the data from program evaluation and stakeholder feedback to adapt our program to meet the needs of our community and our student population. We have changed asynchronous classes to an asynchronous/synchronous model to provide more direct instruction to students. We have also combined the Ethics and Orientation classes into a singular class to allow for an additional skills class, Advanced Counseling Skills and Conceptualization, to be added.

Department Updates

Starting in Fall 2025, Ms. Tiffany Snow and Ms. Lois Curry-Catanese joined the Division as full-time core faculty. At the end of the Spring 2026 semester, Dr. Lois Curry-Catanese departed the Division. Ms. Jana Rodriguez joined the Division as a full-time faculty member starting in June 2026. Tiffany Snow conferred her Ph.D. in Counseling and Supervision from James Madison University. We hired an additional core faculty member who is starting in August of 2026.

We have started a Shenandoah University chapter of Counselors for Social Justice and in summer of 2026, participated in our first event, the [Mattaponi Pow Wow](#). We are making significant progress on our CACREP self-study and intent to submit in September of 2026.