People working in Counseling and Mental Health Services assist people with personal, family, educational, mental health, and career decisions and problems. Mental healthcare may be provided in hospitals, clinics, schools or private settings.

**Major Courses**

Students must take THREE pathway concentration courses and ONE additional pathway elective courses.

**Pathway Concentration Courses (3):**
- Advanced Family Services*
- Family Services
- Foundations of Family & Consumer Science
- Introduction to Healthcare Science

**Pathway Elective Courses (1):**
- Apprenticeship/Internship
- Examining the Teaching Profession (formerly Introduction to Teaching)
- Introduction to Early Childhood Care & Education (formerly Early Childhood Education I)
- Other Pathway Concentration Course

**Other Recommended Courses**
- Current Issues
- Modern Language
- Peer Leadership
- Psychology
- Sociology

**Post-Secondary Degrees, Diplomas & Certificates**

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**Clinical Psychologist**  
**Career Counselor**  
**Substance Abuse Counselor**  
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**Counseling Psychologist**  
**School Psychologist**  
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**Marriage Counselor**  
**Family Counselor**  
**School Counselor**  
**Employment Counselor**  
**Child Counselor**  
**Rehabilitation Counselor**

**EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK**

Counselors and psychologists hold about 650,000 jobs. Through the year 2010, overall employment of counselors is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations, while employment of psychologists is expected to grow about as fast as the average for all psychologists’ occupations. Numerous job openings will occur as many counselors reach retirement age. More than four out of ten psychologists are self-employed. The median annual wage of salaried psychologists is $48,596, while the median annual wage for counselors ranges from $24,450 to $42,110.

* Pre-requisites noted in course descriptions.