

Priority Application Deadlines: April 1 for Fall semester and November 15 for Spring semester.

The MS in Counseling Psychology program is a space-limited program. Applications are reviewed and admission decisions are made on an ongoing basis; early submission of application materials is advised.

The admission application process for the MS in Counseling Psychology program requires 1) submission of admission application and all supplemental materials and 2) an interview with a Counseling Psychology faculty member.* Applicants that demonstrate strong admissibility during the preliminary admission application file review will be invited to interview with a Counseling Psychology faculty member to receive an official admission decision.

A complete admissions file must contain:

1. Completed Application for Admission
2. Bachelor's degree or its equivalent from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning
3. Official transcript of course work from each college or university attended (undergraduate and graduate). Transcripts must be in a sealed envelope sent directly from the college or university. Students who received their undergraduate degrees from an institution outside the United States should contact the Office of Admissions for further instructions. A grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 is required for the last 60 units of graded undergraduate or graduate course work.
4. Resume
5. Statement of purpose or intent: a brief essay (500 words) describing professional and/or personal goals and reasons for obtaining a graduate degree
6. Autobiography that tells of your life and includes a description of those who have been of significant influence in your life. Include experiences you believe to be related to your interest in counseling, your desire to be a counselor, and your ability to understand and help others. (4 to 5 typed, double-spaced pages)
7. Response to Scenario:

Describe what you believe might be happening in the following situation and how you might handle it. Someone who has recently moved into your neighborhood has become quite friendly with you, sharing personal feelings and problems. She tells you of a very strained relationship with her partner and difficulties she is having with her teenage daughter who she feels is on drugs. She seeks your advice and lets you know how much she depends on you. One day she calls you on the phone to say that she is thinking of committing suicide.

*Interviews are on-campus only; requests for alternative interview formats will not be granted.

For International Student admission requirements, please visit www.dominican.edu/admissions/graduate