ADMISSIONS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY COUNSELING
OR
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

As a result of the interest in the counseling programs at Mississippi College, it has become necessary to establish more specific policies and procedures for admission to these degree programs. All students applying for admission must comply with these guidelines.

1. **All general requirements for admission to the graduate school of Mississippi College must be met.**

2. **Student must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in an appropriate field of study (such as Psychology, Sociology, Social Work, Education, Nursing) or other fields as determined by the faculty advisor, the School of Education Graduate Committee, and the Dean of Graduate Studies.**

3. **Student must submit official GRE scores to the graduate office.**

   You ARE REQUIRED to take and submit passing GRE scores within your first semester of attendance. Your GRE score must meet one of the qualifications below.

   (Old Score Requirements): A combined score of 900 on the Verbal and Quantitative sections and a score of 2.5 on the Writing section

   OR score 450 on the Verbal or Quantitative sections and 2.5 on the Writing section

   (New Score Requirements): 150 on the Verbal or 141 on the Quantitative sections and 2.5 on the Writing section

   Sylvan Learning Center in Jackson (601-366-6400) gives the GRE on computer by appointment.

   If you do not pass the GRE, you will be REQUIRED to take a Departmental Exam within the Counseling/Psychology Department after completing and maintaining a "B" or better on your first 12 hours of graduate work. However, this Departmental Exam MUST BE taken and passed before completing 18 hours of graduate course work.

4. **Student must have a 3.0 GPA on the last 60 hours of undergraduate study.**

5. **Student must supply at least two letters of recommendations from an academic or professional source who observed the applicant in a supervisory position.**
   http://www.mc.edu/academics/graduate/files/9513/2251/4396/letter-of-recommendation.pdf

6. **Student must complete the Pre-Admission Workshop Goal/Autobiographical Statement Form.**
   http://www.mc.edu/academics/graduate/files/1313/2649/2279/Goal_and_Autobiographical_Statement_form.pdf

7. **Student must participate in the REQUIRED Pre-Admission Workshop.**
   ADMISSION WILL NOT BE GRANTED UNLESS THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN INVITED TO AND ATTENDED THE PRE-ADMISSION WORKSHOP.

A limited number of students will be chosen from the applicant pool by the Counseling Department Admissions Committee for entry into one of these counseling programs. Currently selection will occur as follows:

FALL ADMISSION - APPLICATION AND MATERIAL DEADLINE IS JUNE 15

SPRING ADMISSION - APPLICATION AND MATERIAL DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 15

SUMMER ADMISSION - APPLICATION AND MATERIAL DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 15

***Mail all materials to Mississippi College, Office of Graduate Studies, Box 4029, Clinton, MS 39058 for transmittal to the Counseling Department.**

*****It is your responsibility to check with the Graduate Office at least two weeks before the deadline to be sure we have received all of your required information.***

Upon completion of twelve hours of graduate work taken at MC, a student must secure a recommendation for candidacy from their Psychology/Counseling Admission to Graduate Candidacy Ad Hoc Committee in order to enter candidacy status. The committee will carefully review the student's work and record and recommend remediation, if necessary. Completion of all other MC College admission to candidacy requirements as listed in the MC College catalog is required as well.

Mississippi College reserves the right to modify any and all admission procedures deemed necessary.