ADMISSIONS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MASTER OF EDUCATION - SCHOOL COUNSELING SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

As a result of the interest in the Master of Education - School Counseling program at Mississippi College, it has become necessary to establish more specific policies and procedures for admission to the degree program. All Students applying for admission must comply with these guidelines.

- General requirements for admission to the graduate school and the MED degree program must be met.
- 2. 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
- 3. Student must submit official PRAXIS scores to the graduate office.

THE PRAXIS IS REQUIRED BEFORE ADMISSION WILL BE GRANTED INTO THE PROGRAM.

The Praxis Series, (PPST or NTE) is required for all master's degrees in education. Minimum Praxis Series scores are set by the state of Mississippi and are as follows:

NTE Core Battery: Communication Skills-651; General Knowledge-646; Professional Knowledge-649. Praxis I PPST (Pre-Professional Skills Test): Reading - 170; Writing -172; Teaching - 169 and PLT (Principles of Learning and Teaching): K-6--152; PLT 5-9--152; PLT 7-12--152

- 4. <u>Copy of Current Class "A" Educator's License Required</u>. If you do not currently hold a Class "A" Mississippi Educator's License, you will need to meet one of the following requirements to be eligible for a Class "AA" standard educator license in School Counseling in the State of Mississippi:
 - A. Track I
 - 1. Hold a standard class A educator license
 - 2. Complete a master's degree in school counseling which includes a 600 hour internship
 - 3. Must have the state minimum scores on required test(s) for licensure

Or

- B. Track II
- 1. Complete an approved master's degree program for school counseling which includes a full-year internship
- 2. Must have the state minimum scores on required test(s) for licensure

Or

- C. Track III
- 1. Hold a master's degree in another area and complete an approved master's degree program for school counseling which includes a full year internship
- 2. Must have the state minimum scores on required test(s) for licensure
- 5. Participate in the required Pre-Admission Workshop.
 http://www.mc.edu/academics/graduate/files/1313/2649/2279/Goal and Autobiographical Statement form.pdf

ADMISSION WILL NOT BE GRANTED UNLESS THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN INVITED TO AND ATTENDED THE PRE-ADMISSION WORKSHOP.

6. Must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in an appropriate field of study as determined by the faculty advisor, the School of Education Graduate Committee, and Graduate Dean.

A limited number of students who meet the requirements for admission will be chosen from the applicant pool by the Counseling Department Admissions Committee for entry into the Master of Education - School Counseling program. 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 the Mississippi College, Office of Graduate Studies, Box 4029, Clinton, MS 39058 for transmittal to the Counseling Department.

You should 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.