



# Rivier UNIVERSITY

## Ed.S.

Educational Specialist in  
Counseling (Post-Master's)

### Earn your Ed.S. in Counseling

Advance your professional skills and knowledge.

Help others to live their best lives.

Rivier's Ed.S. in Counseling program will hone your critical thinking skills and provides an enhanced breadth of professional knowledge. For counselors working with specific populations, the program will help you develop greater expertise with those populations or gain exposure to new populations.

Our Ed.S. in Counseling program is designed for professionals who hold a master's degree in counseling, or a closely related field, and want to pursue further education and/or become certified school counselors. Graduates are prepared for a variety of leadership roles in clinical and educational settings.

#### Licensure, Partnerships, and Careers

Rivier has partnerships with schools, social service agencies, and counseling centers throughout the region, offering sites for internships and community service. You'll find our alumni working as school psychologists or counselors in public and private schools serving students in grades K-12. They are licensed mental health counselors in human service agencies and private practices.

#### Choose Rivier

Rivier's Ed.S. programs provide real-world assignments and hands-on experience in the field to help you put theory into practice and develop your skills. Courses are offered in 7-week or 14-week terms for added flexibility to accommodate your busy schedules and learning preferences. Upon completion of all program requirements, you will be eligible for school guidance counselor (K-12) certification by the New Hampshire State Department of Education. Becoming a credentialed counselor demonstrates expertise and leadership in this field.



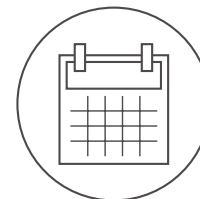
#### Course Format

On campus



#### Total Program Credits

36



#### Estimated Program Length

2.5 years



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### Program Start Dates

Six term starts per year allow you to begin your program in September, October, January, March, May, or July. Completed applications are reviewed as they are received throughout the year.

## Course of Study

### Prerequisite Courses

ED 501 - Fundamentals of Research  
ED 505 - Advanced Psychology of Human Development  
ED 610 - Basic Human Interaction  
ED 614 - Clinical Counseling Theories  
ED 615 - Clinical Counseling Techniques  
ED 616 - Group Counseling  
ED 624 - Psychopathology  
ED 720 - Social and Cultural Foundations  
*or their equivalents*

### Required Courses

ED 611 - Psychotherapy for Children  
ED 623 - Marriage and Family Therapy  
ED 625 - Testing and Assessment  
ED 626 - Positive Psychology  
ED 629 - Addictive Behaviors  
ED 681 - Career and Lifestyle Development  
ED 704 - Personality Assessment I  
ED 705 - Neuropsychological Assessment I  
ED 721 - Advanced Multicultural Perspectives

### Recommended Electives

*Students complete 2-3 courses (9 credits) from the following:*

ED 538 - Cognitive Assessment I  
ED 539 - Information Processing and Cognition  
ED 612 - Professional Issues in School Counseling  
ED 613 - Collaboration and Intervention  
ED 620 - Spiritual Dimensions of Counseling  
ED 648 - Internship in School Counseling I\*  
ED 649 - Internship in School Counseling II\*

*\* Internships are only available for students who do not already have their counselor certification*

### Other Program Requirements

- Candidacy review that includes disposition review
- E-Portfolio review for candidacy and graduation
- Successful completion of comprehensive examination

### Accreditation

Rivier University is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education, Inc. (NECHE).

# 7&14

week terms

# 90+

years of  
educational excellence

# 24,000+

strong alumni network

## How to Apply

1. **Apply online** at [rivier.edu/apply](https://rivier.edu/apply).  
There is no application fee.
2. **Review and complete the application process** at [rivier.edu/gradadmissions](https://rivier.edu/gradadmissions).
3. **Have questions?** For personal support, contact us at (603) 897-8507 or email [admissions@rivier.edu](mailto:admissions@rivier.edu).

## Quick Links

**Ask a Question** – [admissions@rivier.edu](mailto:admissions@rivier.edu)

**Schedule a Visit** – [events.rivier.edu](https://events.rivier.edu)

**Talk to an Admissions Counselor** – [rivier.edu/team](https://rivier.edu/team)

**Tuition & Fees** – [rivier.edu/tuition](https://rivier.edu/tuition)



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