

**NSU Department of Counseling Annual Report
December 2018**

The Mental Health Counseling program at NSU has a near 30-year history. The following tables display the number of graduates from Summer 2017 through Summer 2018 and the number of graduates from each campus.

Number of Graduates for the Past Academic Year

Term	Number of Graduates
Summer 2017	105
Fall 2017	52
Winter 2018	38
Summer 2018	88
Total	283

Number of Mental Health Counseling Graduates for the Past Academic Year by Semester and Campus

	Summer 2017	Fall 2017	Winter 2018	Summer 2018	TOTAL
Davie/Ft. Lauderdale	34	11	13	24	82
Jacksonville	5	2	1	4	12
Miami	10	0	0	6	16
Orlando	5	0	0	16	21
Palm Beach	3	1	1	5	10
Online	36	36	23	24	119
Tampa	12	2	0	9	23
TOTAL	105	52	38	88	283

The Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage & Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling serves as the licensing board for mental health counselors. A passing score on the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination (NCMHCE) is required for licensure. The following information on NSU CMHC students' pass rates on the NCMHCE is provided on the program webpage:

NCMHCE Pass Rates

Year	Passed	Average Pass Rate for NCMHCE in Florida
2015	54.42% (80)	56.60%
2016	55.09% (119)	55.56%
2017	54.97% (94)	Not reported

Program Completion Rates

Students are admitted into graduate study and must meet matriculation requirements to become a degree candidate. Of the students who matriculated into the M.S. program in Mental Health Counseling during 2013, 77% of them were retained through graduation. Of the program graduates, 76% complete the degree within three years, while 24% complete the degree within five years. This data aligns with the program design to allow for flexibility in degree completion for learners managing multiple personal, career, and educational responsibilities.

Job Placement Rates

A convenience sample of 133 Mental Health Counseling alumni who graduated in 2017 was also used to assess job placement rates. This sample yielded the following findings:

2017 Graduates Employment Status (N=133)	
Working full-time in a position related to their counseling degree	65% (87)
Working part-time in a position related to their counseling degree	2% (2)
Seeking a position related to their counseling degree	7% (9)
Employed in a position unrelated to their counseling degree	22% (29)
Enrolled in additional educational program	5% (7)
Other	6% (8)

Note: Ten alumni in this sample reported two or more applied to them (i.e., working full-time in a position related to counseling and enrolled in additional education program)