
NSU Department of Counseling Clinical Mental Health Counseling 2019-2020 Annual Report

Program Graduates

The following tables display the number of Clinical Mental Health Counseling graduates from Fall 2019 through Summer 2020 and the number of graduates from each campus/format.

Number of Graduates for the Past Academic Year

Term	Number of Graduates
Fall 2019	47
Winter 2020	44
Summer 2020	76
TOTAL	167

Number of Graduates for the Past Academic Year by Campus/Format

Campus/Format	Total Number of Graduates
Davie/Ft. Lauderdale	64
Miami	12
Orlando	5
Palm Beach	11
Online	71
Tampa	4
TOTAL	167

NCMHCE Pass Rates

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 table displays the pass rates of NSU alumni on the NCMHCE and the average pass rate in Florida:

Year	NSU Alumni Pass Rate	Average Pass Rate in Florida
2015	54.42% (80)	56.60%
2016	55.09% (119)	55.56%
2017	54.97% (94)	55.25%
2018	55.19% (149)	55.18%
2019	53.17% (151)	55.63%

NCE Pass Rates

The National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) serves as the national certification board for professional counselors. A passing score on the National Counselors Examination (NCE) is required for certification as a National Certified Counselor (NCC). The following table describes NSU students' scores and pass rates on the NCE compared to national results:

	NSU Results		National Results	
	Mean	Std Dev	Mean	Std Dev
Score (cut score for passing = 84)	110.50	4.51	108.43	18.01
Overall Pass Rate	100%		90.54%	

Note: Fall 2019; NSU Students = 4

Program Completion Rates

Students are admitted into graduate study and must meet matriculation requirements to become a degree candidate in the M.S. in Counseling program. According to data collected by the NSU Office of Institutional Effectiveness, of the students who were admitted into the Mental Health Counseling concentration during 2014, 66% were retained through graduation. Of the students who matriculated into the program (73.5%), 89.7% were retained through graduation. Of these program graduates, 64.6% completed the degree within three years and an additional 29.2% completed within five years. An additional 6.2% complete the program beyond the fifth year (due to approved Leaves of Absences) and have since graduated. 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

Thirty-four alumni who graduated in 2019 or 2020 from the M.S. in Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling concentration were surveyed for employment status. Responses were as follows:

Graduates Employment Status (N=34)	
Working full-time in a position related to their counseling degree	55.88% (19)
Working part-time in a position related to their counseling	20.59% (7)
Employed in a position unrelated to their counseling degree	8.82% (3)
Seeking a position related to their counseling degree	8.82% (3)
Enrolled in additional educational program	2.94% (1)
Other	2.94% (1)