Outcomes
M.S. in Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling Program
Mercer University

CORE Standard A.5

The program shall foster continuing public awareness and confidence about academic quality by providing information routinely to the public on its performance, including, but not limited to:

1. **Student retention rate to include the number of students who enroll and graduate each year for a three year period:**

   **Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling Enrollment/Graduation Rates**

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<th>Academic Year</th>
<th>Cohort Size</th>
<th>Number of Students Actively Attending</th>
<th>Number of cohort who have Graduated</th>
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2. **Average time necessary to complete the program:**

   Students may pursue the degree either part-time or full-time status, and completion time is typically Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination 28-36 months, though additional time or time away from full-time employment may be needed to satisfy field clinical work.

3. **Estimated cost of program attendance:**

   All Mercer University listed fees should be regarded as estimates that are subject to change upon approval by The Board of Trustees. The following rate is for graduate tuition, resident students:

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<td>M.S. Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling</td>
<td>$588</td>
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- Three-year program = $35,280
4. **Available scholarships:**
Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) grant is available for qualified students. Visit our RSA grant page for more information.

5. **The employment rate of graduates from the first cohort (graduating in May 2015) is 100%.**

6. **Employment settings where graduates work include:**
   - Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency
   - Correctional centers
   - Juvenile Justice
   - Mental health agencies

7. **Eligibility for licensure by program graduates:**
The coursework requirements are designed to meet the requirements for licensing in the State of Georgia. Upon completion of this degree, appropriate examinations, and submission of transcripts to the licensing board, the graduate can earn the credential of Associate Professional Counselor. A fully Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) credential requires three years postgraduate counseling experience and supervision, as well as successful completion of the licensing exam. If the candidate for licensure holds a CRC (Certified Rehabilitation Counselor) credential, the requirement for postgraduate counseling experience and supervision is reduced to two years.

   Students with this degree are also eligible to sit for the Certified Rehabilitation Counselor Exam, which will lead to the distinction of earning the CRC credential.

8. **Passing rates for a comprehensive measure of student learning** (CRC exam or a combination of assessments such as a comprehensive exam or portfolio) the program uses to assess student learning across all CORE knowledge domains covered in the standards.

   Student outcomes are evaluated every year using a variety of measures that are part of the overall program evaluation. These include passing rates on the Certified Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC) examination, Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE) scores, and employment six months following graduation. During the 2013-2016 academic years, one student was eligible to take the CRC examination, and passed the exam on the first attempt. Furthermore, the passing rate for counseling students on the CPCE has been approximately 95%, and the passing rate for Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling students on the National Counselor Examination (NCE) was 85% for academic year 2015-2016.