

School Counseling Program Application

Teacher Preparation Provider Name: _____

CACREP Approval Valid Through: _____

If CACREP approval changes, the program must notify the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board.

For approval, the program must have the following:

- A documented enrollment policy that includes an enrollment requirement that a candidate hold a master's degree in counseling or a related area. A related area is defined as a profession closely related to counseling or the school context, and must be commensurate with the clinical preparation and experience of professional counselors. *Provide evidence of your documented policy.*
- A documented process for evaluating the candidate's prior experiences in order to determine gaps in coursework and clinical experience, including whether the candidate has completed coursework aligned to CACREP's common core areas of foundational knowledge and whether the candidate has had clinical experiences equivalent to the CACREP practicum.
- Evidence of the required clinical experience requirements. The program must ensure the candidate completes at least 600 total clinical experience hours, including a minimum of 240 hours of direct service with students. The program may evaluate a candidate's prior experiences to determine whether to waive up to 150 of the clinical experience hours. The program may not waive direct service hours.

Please submit application with required documentation to michelle.sandler@state.mn.us.