

Counseling Psychology, PhD

The Doctor of Philosophy in Counseling Psychology program is accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA). It is designed to train the next generation of mental health professionals. The program offers doctoral education and training in psychology and seeks to prepare students for entry-level practice in counseling psychology. Doctoral-level counseling psychologists conduct research, teach at the university level, supervise students and professionals, consult with community agencies, and provide clinical services to people across the developmental life span. Counseling psychologists also enhance the science of health promotion and health psychology and emphasize community-based interventions. It is the mission of the PhD in Counseling Psychology program to train multiculturally competent counseling psychologists who are clinically adept in multiple settings with a variety of psychological and health-related issues and who are able to conceptualize, conduct, and evaluate research across biological, cultural, and relational systems in numerous social contexts, such as families, schools, neighborhoods, and communities.

Please visit Bouvé College Learning Outcomes (<https://bouve.northeastern.edu/bchs/about/learning-outcomes/>) for the specific student learning outcomes for this program.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Milestones

Annual review

Four qualifying examinations completed in the first three years—research, ethics, assessment, and intervention

Research team during the first year (two consecutive semesters)

Dissertation committee

Dissertation proposal

Dissertation defense

Core Requirements

A grade of B or higher is required in all coursework.

Code	Title	Hours
Basic		
CAEP 6390	History and Systems of Psychology	3
CAEP 6394	Advanced Multicultural Psychology	3
CAEP 7750	Biological Bases of Behavior	3
CAEP 7755	Cognitive and Affective Bases of Behavior	3
CAEP 7756	Social Psychology in an Organizational and Ecological Context	3
Fieldwork		
Complete 8 semester hours from the following:		8
CAEP 7741	Advanced Fieldwork 1	
CAEP 7742	Advanced Fieldwork 2	
CAEP 7743	Advanced Fieldwork 3	
CAEP 7744	Advanced Fieldwork 4	
Clinical		
CAEP 6350	Introduction to Cognitive Assessment	3
CAEP 6352	Personality Assessment	3
CAEP 6360	Consultation and Program Evaluation	3
CAEP 7710	Advanced Clinical Assessment	3
CAEP 7720	Advanced Clinical Interventions	3
CAEP 7758	Doctoral Seminar in Contemporary Theories of Psychotherapy	3
Elective		
Three semester hours can be chosen from any graduate level CAEP course or combination of graduate level CAEP courses outside of the PhD in Counseling Psychology program of study. Other electives may be chosen upon approval of the program director and faculty adviser:		3
Professional		
Complete 6 semester hours from the following:		6
CAEP 7701	Doctoral Seminar in Counseling Psychology (Repeatable 3 times for 1 credit and 3 times for 0 credits)	
CAEP 7732	Legal and Ethical Issues in Community and Educational Settings	

Research

CAEP 7711	Measurement: Advanced Psychometric Principles	3
CAEP 7712	Intermediate Statistical Data Analysis Techniques	3
CAEP 7716	Advanced Research and Data Analyses 2	3

Internship

Complete 3 semester hours from the following: 3

CAEP 7798	Doctoral Internship 1	
CAEP 7799	Doctoral Internship 2	

Dissertation

Code	Title	Hours
CAEP 9990	Dissertation Term 1	
CAEP 9991	Dissertation Term 2	

Program Credit/GPA Requirements

62 total semester hours required

Minimum 3.000 GPA required