The CEP department offers a Clinical Mental Health Counseling program which leads to a Masters of Arts degree (M.A.). The program is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). It prepares professional counselors to perform mental health counseling in agencies, hospitals, private practice and schools. Successful completion of the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program qualifies students to pursue licensure as clinical mental health counselors with the New Mexico Counseling and Therapy Practice Board and licensure as school counselors with the New Mexico Department of Education. The 60-credit counseling curriculum requires two years full-time study or three years part time study on campus, and covers the following areas: human development, appraisal; diagnosis; treatment planning; individual, family and group counseling; consultation; career/life planning; addictions; research; and professional issues. Specialized training and supervised experience is offered in mental health agencies, hospitals, and in schools.

Annual application deadline: February 1