

# SPANISH COUNSELING - GRADUATE MINOR

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The Minor in Spanish Counseling, offered through the Counseling and Educational Psychology department is open to graduate students who are enrolled in CEP's Counseling, School Psychology, and Counseling Psychology programs, and to graduate students who are enrolled in Social Work and Marriage and Family Therapy programs. It was established in the interest of meeting the needs of bilingual counseling students who seek training in the provision of Spanish language mental health services.

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## How to Apply

If you are interested in pursuing a minor in Spanish Counseling and, you should complete the attached application and return it to the program coordinator. You are advised to meet with the program coordinator before enrolling in relevant coursework. This form apprizes the CEP department of your intention to pursue the Minor. To declare the Minor with the Graduate School, the student should list all relevant completed coursework on the Program of Study form that is submitted to the Graduate School prior to graduating. The form needs to be signed by the student's Academic Advisor, Dept. Head, Minor Faculty and Academic College Dean before submitting to the Graduate School. A Minor Faculty member is also required to sit on the committee for the student's Final Exam. For Doctoral students, this includes orals, dissertation proposal and defense exams.

**Application:** Spanish Counseling Minor Application Form (<https://cep.nmsu.edu/academic-programs/Spanish-Counseling-Minor-Application-Form.pdf>)