Accreditation Decisions

Listed below are accreditation decisions made by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) at the July 9-11, 2020, meeting of the Board of Directors. Accreditation decisions made at this meeting were based on each program's level of compliance with the CACREP Standards. The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for January 2021.

CACREP accreditation is voluntarily sought by educational institutions offering entry-level master's degrees in counseling and/or doctoral degrees in counselor education and supervision. A program completing the accreditation review process, whether for initial accreditation or re-accreditation, can receive a decision in one of three categories. These decisions determine the accreditation status of the program. The three categories of decisions are:

- 1. Accredited for an eight-year period: This status is granted to entry-level specialty areas and doctoral programs that, in the professional judgment of the CACREP Board of Directors, meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.
- 2. Accredited for a two-year period: This status is granted to programs that, in the professional judgment of the CACREP Board, substantially meet the requirements for accredited status, but which need to address relatively minor standards-related deficiencies. The CACREP Board of Directors confers two-year accreditation to a program when there is a belief that the program can correct the deficiencies within the two-year period. Within the two-year period, the program is required to submit an Interim Report addressing the standards-related deficiencies.
- 3. Denial of accreditation: Accreditation is denied when, in the professional judgment of the CACREP Board of Directors, a counseling program or one or more of its specialty areas has been unable to establish clear evidence that it is in substantial compliance with the standards.

Summary of Accreditation Decisions by Category

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are accredited under CACREP's 2016 Standards.

The following programs underwent a full review and were granted accreditation for an eight-year period. († indicates initial accreditation)

Adler University, IL

[†]Counselor Education and Supervision (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

The doctoral program was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Capella University, Online, based in MN

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2028)

School Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2028)

Counselor Education and Supervision (Accredited through March 31, 2028)

The specialty areas and doctoral program were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Delta State University, MS

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

The specialty areas were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Messiah University, PA

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

The specialty areas were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Midwestern State University, TX

[†]Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Prescott College, Online, based in AZ

[†]Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Southern New Hampshire University, Online, based in NH

[†]Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

Counselor Education and Supervision (Accredited through October 31, 2028)

The specialty areas and doctoral program were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

The following programs submitted Interim Reports and were granted continued accreditation for the remainder of their eight-year period:

Adams State University, CO

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2027)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2027)

Counselor Education and Supervision (Accredited through October 31, 2027)

The specialty areas and doctoral program were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Eastern Washington University, WA

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2026)

School Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2026)

The specialty areas were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Florida International University, FL (Accredited under the CORE Standards)

Rehabilitation Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2025)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Hunter College City University of New York, NY (Accredited Under the 2009 CACREP Standards)

Clinical Mental Health Counseling and Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2023)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory way.

Louisiana State University, Shreveport, LA

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2026)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

Northeastern Illinois University, IL (Accredited under the CORE Standards)

Rehabilitation Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2021)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

South Carolina State University, SC (Accredited under the CORE Standards)

Rehabilitation Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2025)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

The Chicago School of Professional Psychology – DC Campus, DC

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2026)

The specialty area was found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

University of Alabama at Birmingham, AL

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2026)

School Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2026)

The specialty areas were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

University of Colorado - Colorado Springs, CO (accredited under the 2009 CACREP Standards)

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2024)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2024)

The specialty areas were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

University of Illinois Springfield, IL

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2025)

Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2025)

School Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2025)

The specialty areas were found to meet all standards in a satisfactory manner.

The following programs underwent a full review and were granted accreditation for a two-year period:

(† indicates initial accreditation)

Chicago State University, IL

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (accredited through October 31, 2022) School Counseling (accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standards:

Standard 1.S

Standard 1.T

Standard 4.A

Standard 4.B

Standard 4.C

Standard 4.F

The specialty areas were found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies for which the Board requires further information. The program is required to submit an Interim Report, on the standards listed above, for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date.

Eastern Kentucky University, KY

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

[†]Counselor Education and Supervision (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standard:

Standard 4.C

The specialty areas and doctoral program were found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies for which the Board requires further information. The program is required to submit an Interim Report, on the standard listed above, for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date.

Fort Valley State University, GA

[†]Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standard:

Standard 1.T

The specialty area was found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies for which the Board requires further information. The program is required to submit an Interim Report, on the standards listed above, for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date.

Malone University, OH

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standards:

Standard 1.T

Standard 1.V

Standard 3.H

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Standard 3.Q

Standard 4.H

The specialty areas were found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies for which the Board requires further information. The program is required to submit an Interim Report, on the standards listed above, for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date.

Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College, LA

[†]Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standards:

Standard 3.Q

Standard 4.A

Standard 4.B

Standard 4.F

Standard 4.G

Standard 5.D.2.I

The specialty area was found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies for which the Board requires further information. The program is required to submit an Interim Report on the above listed standards for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date.

Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi, TX

Addiction Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Counselor Education and Supervision (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standards:

Standard 1.T

Standard 3.Q

Standard 4.G

The specialty areas and doctoral program were found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies for which the Board requires further information. The program is required to submit an Interim Report, on the standards listed above, for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date.

Wright State University, OH

[†]Addiction Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standards:

Standard 1.0

Standard 1.V

Standard 1.AA

Standard 1.DD

Standard 3.P

Standard 3.Q

Standard 4.D

Standard 4.G

Standard 4.H

Standards 5.A.1.a

Standard 5.A.2.h Standard 5.A.2.i Standard 5.A.3.a

The specialty areas were found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies for which the Board requires further information. The program is required to submit an Interim Report, on the standards listed above, for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date.

The following programs submitted Interim Reports and were granted continued accreditation for a two-year period:

William Paterson University, NJ

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022) School Counseling (Accredited through October 31, 2022)

Additional information is required for the following standard:

Standard 4.A

The specialty areas were found to substantially meet the standards with some minor standard-related deficiencies still remaining. The program is required to submit a second Interim Report, addressing the standards listed above, for review by the CACREP Board prior to the accreditation expiration date. Since this will be the second Interim Report for the counseling specialty areas, if the standard is not adequately addressed, as per CACREP procedures, the Board will have no choice but to deny continued accreditation at the time of review

The accreditation of the following specializations expired as of the dates indicated:

Capella University, Online

Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2020)

Colorado State University, CO

Student Affairs and College Counseling (Accredited through March 31, 2020)

The continued accreditation of the following specializations was denied, and expires as of the date indicated:

Lamar University, TX

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Accredited through December 19, 2020)

The continued accreditation of the following specializations was denied, and is currently under appeal:

Sonoma State University, CA

Clinical Mental Health Counseling School Counseling