

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY



Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology
College of Education

REHABILITATION COUNSELING/TEACHING (RCTM): SPECIALIZATION IN BLINDNESS AND LOW VISION

| <u>Core Courses:</u> | <u>Semester Hours</u> |
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| BLS 5770 Services for Persons Who are Blind or Have Other Disabilities | 2 |
| BLS 5840 Computer Technology in Rehabilitation | 3 |
| BLS 5880 Psycho-Social Aspects of Disability | 2 |
| BLS 5890 Medical & Functional Aspects of Rehabilitation | 2 |
| BLS 6010 Small 'N' Research: Design and Analysis | 3 |
| BLS 6100 Assisted Research | 2 |
| <u>Counseling Courses:</u> | |
| BLS5860 Job Development and Placement | 3 |
| CECP 5200 Foundations of Rehabilitation Counseling | 3 |
| CECP 6020 Group Dynamics and Procedures* | 3 |
| CECP 6030 Tests and Measurement | 3 |
| CECP 6040 Counseling Techniques | 3 |
| CECP 6050 Professional Issues and Ethics | 3 |
| CECP 6070 Multicultural Counseling and Psychology | 3 |
| CECP 6080 Counseling Across the Life Span | 3 |
| CECP 6100 Career Development: Theory and Practice | 3 |
| CECP 6110 Theories of Counseling | 3 |
| CECP 6120 Practicum in Rehabilitation Counseling – Approved Application Required ** *** | 4 |
| CECP 6220 Psycho-educational Consultation | 3 |
| <u>Rehabilitation Teaching Courses:</u> | |
| BLS5900 Physiology and Function of the Eye | 2 |
| BLS5910 Braille and Tactual Communication Systems | 2 |
| BLS5930 Methods of Teaching Adaptive Communications | 2 |
| BLS5970 Principles & Practices of Low Vision | 2 |
| BLS6020 Gerontology in O&M and RT | 2 |
| BLS6050 Practice in Low Vision | 1 |
| BLS6640 Principles of Rehabilitation Teaching | 3 |
| BLS6910 Practicum in Rehabilitation Teaching (1-2 hrs. repeatable) | 3 |
| FCS6360 Teaching for Independent Living | 4 |
| <u>Internship/Field Experience Courses:</u> | |
| BLS7120 Professional Field Experience | 2 |
| CECP 6130 Field Practicum - Approved application required A minimum total of 600 clock hours supervised placement in a rehabilitation counseling field setting. Credit/No Credit basis. | 2 |
| <u>Total Semester Credit Hours:</u> | 76 |

The Rehabilitation Counseling master's degree option also includes the following requirements:

- * Participation in a group for a minimum of 10 hours prior to CECP 6120: Counseling Practicum
- ** Students must present written verification of group membership with the CECP 6120: Counseling Practicum application
- *** 25 additional hours of community "bridging" experience during CECP 6120, Counseling Practicum (including 10 hours of group leadership)
- **** Weekly 2 hours CRC supervision with designated site supervisor during CECP 6130: Field Practicum.

This option is accredited by the Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE) and the Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation and Education Programs (ACVREP). Graduates meet department requirements for certification in rehabilitation counseling and vision rehabilitation therapy. Graduates are also eligible to become Licensed Professional Counselors (LPC) after first becoming Limited License Professional Counselors (LLPC). The LPC is granted after 3000 hours of supervised experience (by an LPC) and a passing score on the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor (CRCC) Certification Exam. The CRCC Exam is accepted as a State of Michigan Counselor License Examination. Students who are interested in receiving credentialing information should secure a copy of the Credentialing Requirements document located in the CECP office; visiting the Michigan Board of Counseling website at: http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,1607,7-132-27417_27529_27536---,00.html; visiting the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification website at: <http://www.crccertification.com/>; and by visiting the ACVREP website at <http://acvrep.org/>

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| CECP 6220 Psycho-educational Consultation | 3 |
| <u>Total Semester Credit Hours</u> | 53 |

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