



M.A. SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM CLINICAL INSTRUCTION MANUAL

COUN 590F School Counseling Fieldwork
Pupil Personnel Services Credential
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COUN 590F Fieldwork Information

The information presented in this manual is intended to help students in the School Counseling Program successfully complete the fieldwork portion of the program. Fieldwork is the final step in the clinical instruction sequence. Candidates for the master's degree and the PPS credential enrolled in fieldwork are nearing certification as professional school counselors. Program faculty want this experience to be instructional, productive, and insightful for each candidate. Please read the manual content carefully and be sure to bring any questions you may have to your Fieldwork Seminar Instructor, the Director of Field Experiences, your program advisor, or all three.

Definition and Purpose

COUN 590F is a 3-unit course taken upon completion of COUN 588P (Counseling Practicum: Schoolbased). The course provides in-depth guidance and counseling experience in public schools and in agencies working with school-aged children. The course is designed to provide the intern candidate with experiences enhancing knowledge, skills and dispositions included in the USD School Counseling Program's learning outcomes. Interns are expected to demonstrate competencies of the highest caliber.

During each semester of enrollment in COUN 590F, the student candidate will complete a minimum of 300 clock hours at a field site selected following consultation with the student's advisor and the Director of Field Experiences. The student can enroll in 3-units of Fieldwork during any one semester. Students applying for the credential must complete 600 supervised hours during at least two semesters. The student will participate in a group supervision class which will meet weekly during the semesters the student is enrolled in COUN 590F. A university supervisor will make two visits per semester to the fieldwork site, to collaborate with the site supervisors, and observe the USD counseling student.

In special cases, some students split their time during a single semester at two sites – one school, one agency. Credential regulations allow completion of some hours at agencies and/or community-based non-profit organizations. You must be enrolled in COUN 590F if you wish to count hours completed while working at an agency site doing counseling with K-12 children and their families. You may count a maximum of 200 hours of agency experience toward the 600 hours of fieldwork required for the PPS credential.

Requirements for the Pupil Personnel Services (PPS) Credential

School Counseling is a professional emphasis within California's Pupil Personnel Services Credential (PPS). The State of California determines the minimum hours of fieldwork needed by candidates who apply for the Pupil Personnel Services Credential. All California public school credential requirements are regulated by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (C.T.C.) based in Sacramento.

During fieldwork, the candidate for the credential must:

- complete a total of 600 hours of fieldwork (with a minimum of 240 hours in direct service);
- complete a minimum of 100 hours working with counselees racially and ethnically different from the candidate:
- complete a minimum of 25 hours of group counseling provided by the candidate; and
- carefully review the Steps for Applying for the PPS Credential on the SOLES webpage.

Prerequisites for Enrollment in Fieldwork Courses

Required Core Courses to be completed <u>before</u> enrollment in COUN 590F:

COUN 503- Professional Orientation and Ethics in Counseling (2)
COUN 564- Counseling Skills Techniques (3)
COUN 505- Human Development (3)
COUN 506- Legal and Ethical Issues in School Counseling (1)
COUN 510- Career Development Across the Lifespan (3)
COUN 515- Multicultural Counseling (3)
COUN 518- Organization of Student Support Systems (3)
COUN 520- Counseling Psychology: Theory and Practice (3)
COUN 525- Group Dynamics (3)
COUN 530- Assessment Techniques in Counseling (3)
COUN 588P- Counseling Practicum (3)

Other Pre-Placement Requirements

- To qualify for the PPS credential, <u>all</u> counseling coursework including clinical instruction courses, COUN 504, COUN 588P and COUN 590F, must be completed with a grade of a B- or better. In pass/fail courses, a student must be earning the equivalent of a grade of B- to receive a "pass."
- All students must complete the Fieldwork Readiness Form and meet with their advisor to review the form prior to the start of the student's first fieldwork.
- Students are required to complete 25 hours of interpersonal, career, family, or pastoral counseling as a counselee in individual or group settings. Prior to practicum at least 10 of these hours should be completed, and the final 15 hours are to be completed prior to enrollment in fieldwork.

Points for Successfully Completing Fieldwork Requirements

- 1. After your Fieldwork Readiness Meeting with your advisor, and once you are informed that your site selection has been approved, candidates are required to submit the On-site Counselor Agreement and Fieldwork Site Assignment to the Director of Field Experiences.
- 2. Remember that it is your responsibility to keep copies of all documents related to your fieldwork. Failure to do so can result in delays or other problems related to obtaining your credential.
- 3. The Daily Record: This important document is the candidate's record of the hours and activities completed at the school or agency site. The Daily Record is to be reviewed and signed monthly by the On-site Supervisor. At the end of the fieldwork semester, turn in a summary sheet of your daily record and the daily record itself. The summary should be condensed to one page stating: where you were, when, under whose supervision, and your main activities as an intern. This is signed by your On-site Supervisor and placed in your permanent folder. The actual Daily Record will be returned to you.
- 4. Final Assessments: You will be sent a link to an electronic self-assessment to be completed at the end of each semester and submitted online. Your onsite supervisor also will receive an electronic copy to complete and review with you.
- 5. Site Hours: Your on-duty hours are arranged between you and your On-site Supervisor. These hours should then be given to your University Supervisor who will visit you in the field during those hours whenever possible. The University Supervisor sometimes "drops in" but usually makes an appointment in advance with you and the On-site Supervisor. In general, three site visits are completed by the University Supervisor, with the visits scheduled several weeks in advance. Please respond to your University Supervisor's contacts ASAP.
- 6. Courtesy Visits: During the first week at your site, be sure you are introduced to the site administrators, counselors, and other personnel with whom you will be working. Upon completion of your placement, it is appropriate to send a note of thanks to the relevant personnel. Make sure the office secretary knows you are an intern at the site and that it is appropriate to refer calls and visitors to you.
- 7. Inform you University Supervisor ten school days before your final day on site.
- 8. During your last semester of Fieldwork you will need to complete the Application for Credential. The forms are available in the Credential Analyst's office in the School of Leadership and Education Sciences.

Role of Interns, Supervisors, and Director of Field Experiences

USD Counseling Interns

- Review the policies, standards and practice of the fieldwork/internship site and be professional in following the regulations.
- Become personally and professionally involved in the process of becoming a professional counselor and develop a professional attitude toward counseling advocacy.
- Show evidence of professional enthusiasm, personal maturity and become adept at integrating theory and practice.
- Increase skills in developing effective human relationships with your clients/students, colleagues and with the public.
- Be flexible, be a team-player, take initiative and be willing to extend your comfort zone.
- Show an understanding, appreciation and sensitivity toward the cultural heritage, community values and individual differences of diverse clients.
- Become acquainted with your clients, study their records and when appropriate develop an ethical sense of keeping information confidential.
- Develop a plan to complete the competencies required under the counseling department learning outcomes.
- Meet regularly with the onsite supervisor and university supervisor to review progress toward these goals.
- Abide by the ACA Ethical Standards and ensure the client's confidentiality and legal right are protected.
- Be open-minded toward constructive feedback, be interested in improving through the acceptance of suggestions, and honestly strive to incorporate these ideas.
- Keep accurate daily logs, supervision logs and end of semester matrix of completed hours.
- Evaluate your own personal goals and commitment to the ethics of the profession.

On-Site Supervisor

- Accept the counseling intern as a professional and make him/her feel at home in the fieldwork/internship site environment.
- Introduce the intern to the philosophy, policies, administration and other professionals at the facility.
- Provide opportunities for the intern to engage in a broad and diverse range of activities.
- Oversee the intern by providing a minimum of one hour a week of direct face-to-face supervision.
- Provide ongoing feedback to the counseling intern and review all paperwork required by USD. A final assessment form will be provided.

- Keep site administrator and university supervisor informed of the progress of the counseling intern.
- Abide by the ACA Ethical Standards and ensure the client's confidentiality and legal rights are protected.

University Supervisor

- Meet interns at their fieldwork sites a minimum of 3 times during the semester.
- Be available to answer questions, discuss issues and offer support.
- Keep communication open between the onsite supervisors and the university staff.
- Document visitations with feedback that includes plans for the semester, observations and suggestions and reflections from the visit.
- Review the ACA Ethical Standards during onsite visitations

Director of Field Experiences

- Responsible for the coordination of fieldwork experiences in the School Counseling Program
- Meet individually, when needed, with site supervisors, students and university supervisors to:
 - o Answer specific questions regarding placements
 - o Suggest methods for meeting clinical instruction requirements at sites
 - o Address concerns with student progress and suggest methods for improvement
- Assist candidates in arranging appropriate fieldwork/internship sites.
- Review required paperwork verifying acceptance of the fieldwork/internship site.
- Communicate regularly with candidates and onsite supervisors to review progress during fieldwork/internship.
- If needed, facilitate discussions between student interns and onsite supervisors if conflicts arise.
- Reports to advisors and to the Director of the School Counseling Program regarding issues and concerns related to candidate placements in fieldwork.
- In conjunction with the Director of the School Counseling Program, coordinate professional development activities for university and site supervisors.
- As needed, participates in Student Development Plans drafted to assist students who experience difficulties in meeting clinical instruction and fieldwork objectives.

Action Research

Action research is a key feature of the USD School Counseling Program. Candidates are involved with action research projects throughout their fieldwork experience. Information about meeting this requirement is provided in COUN 509 (Action Research), which is taken at the start of the fall semester of the candidate's second year in the program. Support for successful completion of candidates' action research projects is provided by the COUN 509 instructor, advisors, and fieldwork seminar instructors.

Appendices

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Introductory Letter

TO: Cooperating On-site Counselor/Supervisor in the University of

San Diego Pupil Personnel Credential Program

FROM: University of San Diego School Counseling Program Faculty

RE: Introductory Letter: Fieldwork Requirements, Student Competencies, and

On site Counselor Responsibilities

Intern's Name:

The graduate student bearing this letter is a candidate for the University of San Diego's Pupil Personnel Services Credential with Specialization in School Counseling.

The candidate will complete practicum/fieldwork in at least two levels, such as elementary and middle school, or middle school and high school, etc.

The PPS Credential requires a minimum of 600 hours of fieldwork. The minimum number of hours that can be done at a site is 200 hours. Depending upon the candidate's background (teaching or non-teaching experience), and other related factors, the candidate will set up individual arrangements at each site regarding the number of hours to be completed and the scheduling of working days. The university supervisor will be informed of the schedule so onsite visits can be arranged. When the university supervisor and the On-site supervisor at the fieldwork site agree the candidate has satisfactorily completed the fieldwork requirements, then the internship is completed.

The student must meet cross-cultural requirements of 100 hours with pupils of cultural backgrounds different from their own. A minimum of 15 pupils from culturally diverse backgrounds must be counseled by the intern over the course of their entire internship experience. Also the intern must complete 25 or more hours of group guidance and counseling activities. We enlist your cooperation in meeting these requirements.

Fieldwork courses require that a minimum of 200 onsite hours be completed each semester or summer session. Incompletes are strongly discouraged. The candidate will explain to you the keeping of a daily record. Final evaluation forms are completed by the On-site Supervisor, are discussed with the candidate and forwarded to the University Supervisor in a sealed envelope, or delivered by the candidate to the University in a sealed envelope.

The university supervisor will typically make three visits- one as the placement begins, one at midterm, and one to discuss the final evaluation. Summer session placements usually result in two visits by the university supervisor. In addition, we confer with On-site supervisors as needed by telephone or e-mail. Interns are required to tape at least one session with students per semester. If

taping equipment is not available at the site, students will check out equipment from USD. Letters to receive permission to tape a student will be provided by USD and are required.

If you should decide to accept the candidate at your site the following applies to you as the candidate's On-site Supervisor:

- 1. Should the candidate not seem appropriate to your setting, notification should be given to the candidate and University supervisor within two weeks of the initial placement.
- 1. The candidate should be thoroughly oriented to the site and briefed on his/her roles and responsibilities as an intern.
- 2. The candidate is to experience many aspects of a comprehensive counseling and guidance program.
- 3. The candidate should be given weekly supervision and regular feedback by the On-site Supervisor and the University Supervisor.
- 4. Each week the candidate's daily record is signed, reviewed, and discussed.
- 5. The candidate will complete an Action Research project in collaboration with his or her onsite supervisor or with a designated counselor or counselors at the site.
- 6. The candidate should be informed of any unique situations or special events which might enrich his/her counseling experience, i.e. meetings, conferences, school activities, and special problems.
- 7. Each candidate should have a reasonable number of individual counselees for whom he/she is fully responsible.

Thank you for your time and cooperation in considering this candidate.



School Counseling Fieldwork Agreement

Counselor Candidate In	formation	
Name		
Street Address		
City ST ZIP Code		
Home Phone		
Work Phone		
E-Mail Address		
E Mail Address		
Fieldwork Placement In	formation	
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Semester(s) and Year(s)		
School Site		
School Address		
District		
District		
Interview Date		
Interviewer		
On-Site Counselor's Name		
Site Phone		
Preferred hours to phone		
Candidate Fieldwork Sc	hedule	
Dow	Hours	
Day:	Hours:	
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		

State below any information or special circumstances the University Supervisor should be aware of regarding your assignment.				
On-site Supervisor Agreem	ant			
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I will serve as the On-site Co	ounselor for			
during the 20 20 scho	ool year. I am able to provide weekly supervis	ory meetin	ngs for	
the above-named student.				
Agreement and Signature				
By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete.				
Student Signature		Date		
On-Site Supervisor's Signature		Date		



University of San Diego School Counseling Program COUN 590 Daily Log

Weekly Service Record for	r:					_	
Week of	thru				Record	l#	
Direct Service		Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	
Academic Advising							
Advocacy							
Assessment or Testing							
Consultation							
Career Planning							
Conflict Mediation							
Group Counseling							
Individual Counseling							
Large Group Presentation/Class	ssroom Guidance						
Technology-based Counseling							Total
Total Direct Services							
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Case Management		TVEOR	Tues	7700	Indis		
Observation & Informal Asses	sment						
Planning/ Program Developme							
Professional Development							
Supervision							
Other							Total
Total Indirect Services							2000
				To	tal Weekly	Hours:	
Total Service Hours to Da	te:						
Direct Hours:		irect Hour	:s:	To	tal Service	Hours:	
Service Hours Working w	ith Racially/Eth	nically Div	verse Clier	ıts (differe	nt from int	tern) to Da	te:
This Week:	Total Sei	rvice Hour	rs:				
Group Counseling Hours	to Date:						
This Week:	Total Ser	vice Hour	s:				
Supervision Hours to Date	» :						
Individual:		Grou	p:		Total	Hours:	
Student Signature: June 2016				Date:			
Site-Supervisor Signature				Date:			
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Daily Log Semester Summary School Specialization Semester ____

Student Name	
Fieldwork Location	
Total Number of Direct Hours for the Semester:	
Total Number of Indirect Hours for the Semester:	·
Total Number of Direct and Indirect Hours for the Semester:	·
Total Number of Hours working with Diverse Students (Race/ethnicity different from intern)	
Total Number of Group Hours	
Required Signatures	
Student	Date
Onsite Supervisor	Date
Seminar Instructor	Date



CONSENT TO BE OBSERVED OR TAPE RECORDED

I, _______, give _______,

(Client or Client's Parent or Guardian) a student in the Graduate Program in Co audio/video tape our counseling sessions contents of the tapes may be reviewed w considered confidential, and will be dest	unseling at the Universis, and/or have visual recith a supervisor, counse	ords and observations of me. The ling faculty, supervision group and	are
I am in agreement that the primary use for effectiveness of the student's counseling name shall not be used in connection without than those specified above. Record consent shall not be subject to legal actions.	by provision of instruct th these recordings cann ling and/or utilization of	ion and feedback. I understand that ot and will not be used for any pur	pose
I understand that my counselor is a grade supervision of a qualified supervisor at t		ng, is not yet licensed and is under	the
The term "client" as used herein refers to teachers, or patients. Clients have the rig professional setting. There are, however when ordered by the court, or (b) when to individual may present a threat to self to suspected instance of child or adult abust these sessions will otherwise be kept conwithout written permission, except where	the confidentiality. Info, legal exceptions to this the counselor and his or others. California law is se or neglect. It is under a fidential and will not be	formation revealed will remain with right; information must be divulge her supervisor determine that an requires the report of any known or stood that all information disclosed the released to anyone outside of the	hin the ed: (a) l within
Client Signature	-	Counselor/Intern Signature	
Signature of Parent or Guardian if Clien	t is a Minor	Date	

NOTE: A signed and dated permission form \underline{MUST} be obtained for each client on and off site, prior to any taping (audio or video).



CONSENTIMIENTO PARA SER OBSERVADO O FILMADO

Alumno/a en el Programa de Orientación para Cautorización para que las sesiones de orientación se visuales y observaciones mías. El contenido de la supervisor, profesorado de orientación, grupo de confidencial y una vez que se revise por el supervis	filmen con audio/video as grabaciones pueder e supervisión y se co	ersidad de San Diego, o y /o que haya registros o ser revisadas con un
Estoy de acuerdo de que el uso primordial de estas la efectividad de la orientación al/a alumno/a, al denterado/a que mi nombre no se utilizará, no podrá y para cualquier otro propósito que no sea el especimateriales bajo estos términos del consentimiento flegal.	arse la instrucción y ro será usado en conexió ificado arriba. La grab	etroalimentación. Estoy on con estas grabaciones ación y/o utilización de
Estoy enterado que mi orientador es alumno gra certificación y está bajo la supervisión de un superv		• •
El término "cliente" usado con anterioridad se refie incluyendo alumnos, padres, maestros o pacie confidencialidad. La información obtenida permane embargo, algunas excepciones de carácter legal a e (a) cuando lo ordene el tribunal, o (b) cuando el orindividuo puede representar una amenaza para el/el el informe de cualquier instancia conocida y sospe adulto. Se entiende que toda la información revelade en forma confidencial y no se entregará a nadie fuer excepto donde la revelación se requiera por ley.	entes. Los clientes ecerá dentro del entorreste derecho; la informientador y su supervis la o para otros. La Ley echada de abuso o negua en el ámbito de estas	tienen el derecho de no profesional. Hay, sin nación debe divulgarse: or/a determinen que un de California requiere ligencia de un niño/a os sesiones se mantendrá
Firma del Cliente Alumno/a	Firma del Orientador	
Firma del Padre o Tutor si el Cliente es Menor de E	dad	Fecha

NOTA: La forma de permiso firmada y fechada <u>**DEBE**</u> ser obtenida de cada cliente dentro y fuera del plantel, antes de cualquier grabación (audio o video).



Dear Parent or Guardian of:

Your student has the opportunity to participate in an exciting opportunity this year! The University of San Diego School Counseling program has partnered with your student's school to provide ongoing services to students. Graduate students from the counseling program will be working with a number of students during the year. Some of the activities your student may participate in are team building, developing peer problem solving skills, individual counseling, group counseling and leadership training. Participation in these activities requires your permission in writing, so if your student may participate in this program please sign below and have your student return this permission form as soon as possible!!

Parts of this program may be videotaped for educational purposes. The tapes would be reviewed only with the USD student's direct supervisors and all tapes will be erased by June 2013.

Please Initial here if you do not give permission for your child to be taped.

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Parent Signature	Date

Thank you very much for allowing us to serve you and your student.

Together we build a strong community!



Estimado Padre de Familia de:

Su niño(a) tiene la oportunidad de participar en una gran oportunidad. El Programa de Consejería de la Universidad de San Diego se ha asociado con la Escuela Bancroft para proveer servicios a los estudiantes. Algunas de las actividades en las que su niño(a) podría participar son técnicas para trabajar en equipo, desarrollo de habilidades para resolver problemas con otros compañeros, consejería individual o en grupo y entrenamiento para liderazgo. ¡La participación de su niño(a) en estas actividades requiere el permiso de usted por escrito, por lo tanto si su hijo(a) puede participar en este programa por favor firme el permiso de abajo y regrese esta forma con su niño(a) a la escuela lo más pronto posible!

Algunas de las partes de este programa pueden ser grabadas por video para propósitos educativos. Por favor escriba su inicial aquí si usted no le da permiso a su niño(a) para que sea grabado(a). Todas las grabaciones serán borradas a más tardar para el 30 de Julio del 2013.

Firma de Padre de Familia Fecha

Gracias por permitirnos servirle a usted y a su niño(a). ¡Juntos construimos una comunidad fuerte!

ACA Ethical Standards – Preamble

The American Counseling Association is an educational, scientific and professional organization whose members are dedicated to the enhancement of human development throughout the life span. Association members recognize diversity in our society and embrace a cross-cultural approach in support of the worth, dignity, potential, and uniqueness of each individual.

The specification of a code of ethics enables the association to clarify to current and future members, and to those served by members, the nature of the ethical responsibilities held in common by its members. As the code of ethics of the association, this document established principles that define the ethical behavior of association members. All members of the American Counseling Association are required to adhere to the Code of Ethics will serve as the basis for processing ethical complaints initiated against members of the association. A complete copy of the American Counseling Association (ACA) Code of Ethics is available at http://www.counseling.org/

Review the ethics code for your specialization area.

* It is the responsibility of all clinical instruction participants; Faculty Coordinator, Director of Field Experiences, University Supervisors, onsite supervisors, seminar instructors and USD interns to abide by the ACA Ethical Standards and to ensure the client's confidentiality and legal rights are protected. These procedures will be reinforced in the seminar classes and during the onsite visits by the university supervisors.

Endorsement Policy

At various times students require an endorsement (verbal or written recommendation) from their program in order to gain employment or credentials. A graduate will be endorsed by counseling faculty only for a position or credential for which the graduate has been prepared. Internship site supervisors also are urged to follow this policy.

Students should be aware of this policy and seek endorsement only for employment and credentials that are appropriate given the student's training, coursework and supervised experience.

As a faculty we will endorse that upon completion of the 48 unit masters in counseling degree, all graduates, regardless of their specialization area will possess entry level clinical counseling skills, ethical decision making skills, and a theoretical orientation on which to base their work as counselors.

We will endorse students for positions within their specialization areas based on our knowledge of their skills. We do, however, reserve the right to withhold endorsement within a specialization if we do not feel the student has had adequate experience with a given population (e.g. if a student has no experience in an elementary school, we would not endorse them as having skills with elementary students).

We may not endorse a student for a position outside their specialization area unless we have knowledge of their proficiency within that area. Proficiency may be demonstrated by work, internship, volunteer or other supervised experience within or outside the counseling program.

Students who apply for the State of California's Pupil Personnel Services Credential first make application to the SOLES Office of the Credential Analyst. The Credential Analyst reviews the application to be sure that all requirements have been met. The School Counseling Program Director also reviews the file and endorses the application if all credential requirements have been completed.

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