The counseling and development program at Winthrop University provides an intellectually stimulating and supportive environment for the professional development of school and clinical mental health counselors. The faculty designs and delivers academic and clinical experiences for students in ways that recognize, respect, and value the diversity of students’ backgrounds, characteristics, beliefs, and abilities.

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Admission Requirements

1. The online Graduate School application with the non-refundable application fee
2. Official transcript(s) from all institutions attended for undergraduate and graduate coursework. Transcripts must be sent to Winthrop’s Graduate School office from the issuing institution(s). We cannot accept transcripts (even sealed, official transcripts) from individuals.
3. Undergraduate grade-point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
4. Official test scores
   • Graduate Record Examination (GRE) with preferred score of 146 on the Verbal Reasoning section and 140 on the Quantitative Reasoning section
   OR
   • Miller Analogies Test (scale score of 392 preferred)
5. Three recommendations – you will be required to provide the names and e-mail addresses of your three evaluators in the online admissions application. These three individuals will then receive an e-mail asking them to complete the online recommendation form.
6. Resumé
7. A brief statement of purpose articulating your reasons for pursuing a master's in counseling and why you are a good fit for the field of counseling (1-2 pages)
8. On-campus interview
9. Background check (must be completed before beginning the program)

Application Deadline
• December 15 for both summer and fall admission