

WAC 246-809-221 Behavioral sciences—Program equivalency. (1)

Behavioral science in a field relating to mental health counseling includes a core of study relating to counseling theory and counseling philosophy.

(2) Either a counseling practicum, or a counseling internship, or both, must be included in the core of study. Exclusive use of an internship or practicum used for qualification must have incorporated supervised direct client contact.

(3) This core of study must include seven of the content areas listed in (a) through (q) of this subsection. Five of the content areas must be from (a) through (h) of this subsection:

- (a) Assessment/diagnosis.
- (b) Ethics/law.
- (c) Counseling individuals.
- (d) Counseling groups.
- (e) Counseling couples and families.
- (f) Developmental psychology (may be child, adolescent, adult or life span).
- (g) Psychopathology/abnormal psychology.
- (h) Research and evaluation.
- (i) Career development counseling.
- (j) Multicultural concerns.
- (k) Substance/chemical abuse.
- (l) Physiological psychology.
- (m) Organizational psychology.
- (n) Mental health consultation.
- (o) Developmentally disabled persons.
- (p) Abusive relationships.
- (q) Chronically mentally ill.

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