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Holistic Counseling Early Entry Graduate Program

The Holistic Counseling Program offers an early entry option to the graduate program similar to the University's five-year programs. However, because the MA in holistic counseling consists of 48 credits including a two-semester internship, an additional two years are required to complete the MA after receiving the baccalaureate. This program is designed for the University's highly-motivated, academically talented and qualified undergraduate students with a recommended 3.3 or better cumulative grade point average and have demonstrated interpersonal skills required for the profession. Students may apply for this early entry graduate program upon completion of their fifth semester of undergraduate study. Part of the admissions requirements of the program is an interview with the members of the holistic counseling faculty. Upon acceptance, enrollment begins on a conditional basis in the senior year. Students who have been accepted will meet with a member of the holistic counseling faculty who will mentor them and help them to plan their holistic course sequence. They must take HLC573 Human Relations Laboratory during the first semester of their senior year. Upon completion of the first two graduate courses of their senior year, they will again meet with members of the holistic counseling faculty to determine their suitability for continuing in the program. The next two graduate courses, taken during the second semester of the senior year, require a grade of B or better in each course in order to be fully accepted into the graduate program. Students who do not continue in the program may use the credits already accrued towards their undergraduate degree. Those students who are accepted into this program may take up to 12 credit hours of graduate work in the senior year (six of which may be applied towards the B.A. degree). They complete the remaining 36 credit hours over the next two years.