

Counseling Psychology (PhD)

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Degree in Counseling Psychology program, housed within the Department of Human Development and Psychoeducational Studies (HDPEs), is an APA-accredited program designed to train professional psychologists in the Scientist-Practitioner model consistent with APA-accreditation guidelines.

The Program embodies a balanced training experience in the science of psychology, theoretical foundations, application of therapeutic skills, and research, and thus prepares skilled counseling psychologists to function successfully in a variety of professional settings with diverse populations.

In 1982 the Doctor of Philosophy in Counseling Psychology Program was approved by the Howard University Board of Trustees. The first four students were admitted in the fall semester of that same year. The Program was first accredited by the American Psychological Association in September, 2002. The Program was re-accredited in spring 2006 and spring 2013.

The Program embraces the Scientist-Practitioner model and embodies a balanced training experience in the scientific and theoretical foundations of psychology and in applications of practice skills and research. The Program encourages a hypothesis-testing approach toward obtaining and evaluating information and it encourages the examination of empirical literature related to planning and evaluating interventions that focus on prevention or remediation of problems. The Program emphasizes prevention of psychological problems, the teaching of effective coping skills (to prevent problems), and the development of effective problem-resolution skills to remediate negative coping behaviors.

The mission of the Program is to educate and train health service counseling psychology students using a Scientist-Practitioner philosophy who are committed to working with underserved populations. We are committed to recruiting and retaining students and faculty from diverse backgrounds who seek to create and apply evidence based practices and interventions within local, national and international communities.

Program: Psychology

Type: PhD

First Year Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-603	Theories of Personality	3
HUDE-201	Human Development	3
HUDE-432	Individual Assessment II	3
HUDE-442	Research Seminar in Counseling Psychology	1
	Sub-Total Credits	10

First Year Spring

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-446	Professional Ethics & Legal Issues in Psychology	3
HUDE-400	Intermediate Statistics	3
HUDE-351	Advanced Psychopathology	3
HUDE-344	Practicum	1
HUDE-433	Cog II: Culturally Competent Assessment	3
	Sub-Total Credits	13

Second Year Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-500	Advanced Statistics	3
HUDE-455	Issues & Trends in Measurement Theory	3
HUDE-228	Personality Assessment	3
HUDE-600	Psychodynamic Interventions and Evidence-based Therapies	2
HUDE-447	Multiculturalism and Diversity in Counseling & Psychology	3
	Sub-Total Credits	14

Second Year Spring

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-516	Cognitive Affective Basis of Behavior	3
HUDE-428	Personality Assessment II	3
HUDE-602	Cognitive Behavioral Interventional and Evidence based Therapies	2
HUDE-502	Advanced Topics in Statistics & Multivariate Analysis	3
	Sub-Total Credits	11

Third Year Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-455	Issues & Trends in Measurement Theory	3
HUDE-444	Group Processes	3
HUDE-601	Evidence-based Systems Interventions and Therapies	2
HUDE-490	Externship in Counseling Psychology	3
	Sub-Total Credits	11

Third Spring Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
PSYC-171	Psychopharmacology	3
HUDE-501	Design & Analysis of Research Projects	3
	Sub-Total Credits	6

Fourth Year Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-222	Social Psychology of Individual	2
HUDE-440	Vocational Theory	3
PSYC-233	Neuropsychology	3
	Sub-Total Credits	8

Fourth Year Spring

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-604	Professional Roles	3
HUDE-540	Supervision / Consultation	3
HUDE-450	African / Black Psychology	3
Sub-Total Credits		9

Fifth Year Fall

HUDE-509: Dissertation Research

***Note: Three to six credit hours may be awarded per semester for each dissertation research course. A maximum of six dissertation research credit hours may be counted towards degree completion.**

HUDE-520: Internship in Counseling Psychology

***Note: One to three credit hours may be awarded per semester for each internship. A maximum of two internship credit hours may be counted towards degree requirement.**

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-509	Dissertation Research	3-6
HUDE-520	Internship in Counseling Psychology	1-3
Sub-Total Credits		4

Fifth Year Spring

HUDE-509 Dissertation Research

***Note: Three to six credit hours may be awarded per semester for each dissertation research course. A maximum of six dissertation research credit hours may be counted towards degree completion.**

HUDE-519 Internship in School Psychology

***Note: One to three credit hours may be awarded per semester for each internship. A maximum of two internship credit hours may be counted towards degree requirements.**

Item #	Title	Credits
HUDE-509	Dissertation Research	3-6
HUDE-519	Internship in School Psychology	1-3
Sub-Total Credits		4
Total credits:		90