

Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling Preconditions

1. Bachelor's Degree (Ed Code §44266)

Persons admitted to programs must have a minimum of a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

Program Response:

Alliant International University Admissions Requirements are listed on the Alliant Website:

Credential-Only Programs:

- PPS Credential in School Counseling
 - Master's degree in a related field from a regionally accredited institution

Degree + Credential Programs:

- Master of Arts in Education in School Counseling with PPS Credential Program Specific Admissions Requirements
 - Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Education Specialist in School Counseling with PPS Credential Program Specific Admissions Requirements
 - Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution

Source:

The admissions requirements for the Pupil Personnel Services Credential Programs can be found here: [**Alliant Admissions > California School of Education Admissions Requirements > PPS Credential in School Counseling**](#)

Alliant International University Admission Requirements are processed through the Application Processing Center (APC). Here, potential Candidates for programs within CSOE are vetted and only those applicants who meet the minimum required qualifications as described on our website are eligible to continue in the enrollment process.

2. Program Curriculum

A college or university that operates a program of professional preparation shall have a curriculum that meets the appropriate requirement as follows:

A program of study for the **school counselor specialization** shall be: Equivalent to a minimum of 48 semester units or 72 quarter units; or 720 classroom hours of post baccalaureate study.

Program Response:

PPS School Counseling Candidates will be required to successfully complete the following number of semester units of postbaccalaureate studies for completion of the PPS School

Counseling credential program:

- [Education Specialist Degree + PPS School Counseling Credential with an emphasis in School Based Mental Health](#): 70 semester units
- [MAE + PPS School Counseling Credential](#): 49 semester units
- [PPS School Counseling Credential Only](#): 49 semester units

3. For Intern Programs

An entity that operates an approved program of preparation for a PPS credential with an Intern option shall require each candidate who is admitted into the Intern Program to have completed sufficient coursework so that the candidate is ready for supervised practice in the schools. The Intern must be supervised and supported by both the employer and the Commission-approved program.

Program Response:

PPS School Counseling Candidates are provided with guidance from the beginning of the program regarding expectations for their beginning field experiences within the Practicum as well as the requirements to successfully transition into their culminating field experiences within their Internships:

- [Practicum Process Overview](#)
- [Internship Process Overview](#)
- [School Counseling Handbook](#)
- [Practicum Information](#)
- [Practica Performance Expectations](#)
- [Practica – Site Supervisor Information Packet](#)
- [Internship Competencies](#)
- [Internship – Site Supervisor Information Packet](#)

Prior to gaining eligibility for an Internship Credential at a partnering school/school district while completing Internship courses, PPS School Counseling Candidates are required to successfully complete all of the following requirements:

- All initial pedagogy courses
- All Practicum Courses, including obtaining a minimum of 100 hours of practicum experience in counseling-related environments.
- Passing Score on the [Comprehensive Praxis Exam](#)