Students vary in their post-degree career plans. Accordingly, we attempt to find ways to allow students to select from opportunities that fit their goals. We allow students to select at least one elective course in order to create an informal area of focused-training in addition to the generalist training expected of students attending APA-accredited programs at the pre-doctoral level. We also use the new sequence of Colloquia in Counseling Psychology to allow students to select from opportunities that fit their interests and career plans.

The general course sequence can be found on pages 3 and 4. Course sequences for students wishing to pursue a Practitioner career beginning on page 5. For students wishing to pursue an Academic career, the course sequences can be found on pages 7-9.

Students can take any array of electives, and often students interested in a Practitioner career will take courses to provide additional training opportunities with teaching or research. Regardless of the focus a student selects, the program requires 109 credit hours. Some students with master’s degrees may substitute in coursework if approved by the advisor and training director. Many students elect to take extra courses, exceeding this minimum requirement.

In addition, students should take courses at the earliest point available. This is particularly the case for courses offered outside our department (any course with a prefix other than COUN). Should courses not be available when listed in the example sequences, students are encouraged to take another available course to have a full load. Students work with their advisors to select courses, and taking courses outside of the sequence below requires advisor approval.

Delaying courses when not taking a full-load also may require approval from the graduate committee (or program faculty if the student has not yet selected a graduate committee). A full-load requires students to enroll in four courses per semester most semesters. Popular electives students take include additional theories courses, health psychology, a teaching practicum, additional statistics/research methods courses, independent research (which must be working on a project separate from the dissertation), and courses devoted to particular clinical concerns (e.g., substance abuse, eating disorders) or intervention types (e.g., crisis, consultation).

Please note that sequences are subject to change and indeed often do change based on schedules made in other departments as well as adjustments made necessary by factors within our own department, evolving standards of the profession, etc. Course numbers may also change. All courses listed that are left justified are required unless there are explanatory notes or you have approved substitutions.

NOTE: For students entering in the fall of 2015 or later, the program is a four-year program plus one-year internship minimum (you will take classes into your fourth year; see the last three
examples of course sequences). Rare exceptions may be granted for students who enter with a master’s degree in counseling or clinical psychology.

The sequence below is specifically a guide for students who enter Counseling Psychology in the fall of 2017 or later. For students who entered prior to fall of 2015, if you intend to go on internship in your fourth year, you cannot count on taking courses in the summer of your third year because some internship sites begin their internship year in the summer. It is relatively rare that students entering without a master’s degree go on internship in their fourth year as it is challenging to accrue the number of direct contact clinical hours required to be successful in the internship application process in less than two years of practicum. In addition, students entering in the Fall, 2013 and later must propose their dissertation prior to application for internship.
Course Sequence-Recommended
Students Entering Fall, 2017
Auburn University
Updated 4/11/17

First Year

Fall 2017 (11 credits)
COUN 7320 Theories of Counseling*
COUN 7330 Counseling Diverse Populations *
COUN 8230 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology I (may be taught as COUN 7970)*
COUN 8530 Contemporary Issues in Counseling Psychology (Ethical, Legal, & Professional Issues)*

Spring 2018 (14 credits)
COUN 7340 Group Counseling
COUN 7350 Introduction to Counseling Practice*
COUN 7250 Advanced Assessment and Diagnosis*
COUN 8240 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology II (may be taught as COUN 7970)*
Program approved first semester doctoral stats course

Summer 2018 (6 credits)
PSYC 7150 Biological Bases of Behavior
Program approved second semester doctoral stats course

Second Year

Fall 2018 (11 credits)
COUN 7210 Adult Appraisal (will eventually be numbered COUN 8120)
COUN 8400 Professional Seminar in Counseling Psychology
COUN 7910 Practicum in Counseling Psychology (note, obtaining passing grades in courses marked with an asterisk is required before students can begin this course)
COUN 8250 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology III (may be taught as COUN 8970)

Spring 2019 (8 credits)
COUN 7910 Practicum in Counseling Psychology (note, obtaining passing grades in courses marked with an asterisk is required before students can begin this course)
COUN 8260 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology IV (may be taught as COUN 8970)
ERMA 8350 Advanced Measurement Theory

Summer 2019 (9 credits)
COUN 8970 Great Ideas in Psychology (PSYC 7100 is an approved substitute, requires approval)
PSYC 7180 Social Psychology (or approved COUN course on Social Psychology)
PSYC 7190 Cognitive Psychology (or approved COUN course on Cognitive and Affective Bases of Behavior)


**Third Year**

**Fall 2019 (9 credits)**
COUN 8910 Advanced Practicum in Counseling Psychology  
COUN 8300 Research Design  
A program approved elective course (can be moved to fourth year if desired)

**Spring 2020 (9 credits)**
COUN 8910 Advanced Practicum in Counseling Psychology  
COUN 8200 Intellectual Assessment of Adults  
COUN 8200 requires co-enrollment in this applications seminar and enrollment in this course requires co-enrollment in COUN 8200.

**Summer 2020 (9 credits)**
COUN 7310 Counseling Across the Lifespan  
COUN 7230 Career Development and Vocational Appraisal  
A COUN advanced theories course (all students must take at least one advanced theories course)

**Fourth Year**

**Fall 2020 (6 credits)**
COUN 8540 Supervision – Theory & Practice  
COUN 8800 Professional Development & Pre-Internship Seminar (Taken only when applying for internship)

**Spring 2021 (3 or more credits)**
COUN 8970 Psychological Science & Health  
Electives/ Research/Dissertation/Any classes not yet completed.

**Summer 2021**
Electives/ Research/Dissertation/Any classes not yet completed.

**Note:** Enrollment in Internship (COUN 8930—a zero-hour course) is required while on internship. Students are required to have a minimum of 10 semester hours of Dissertation prior to graduation. Students also must enroll in Dissertation while working on their dissertation (so students may have to enroll for more than 10 hours). Students should consult with their advisor and review Graduate School Policies and Program Policies regarding internship and dissertation.

Advanced Counseling Theory courses include: COUN 8610-- Existentialism; COUN 8620--Cognitive-Behavioral; and COUN 8630 -- Psychodynamic: Adlerian. Other topics may be offered from time to time.
Course Sequence Example for Practitioner Career
Students Entering Fall, 2017
Auburn University
Updated 4/11/2017

The following example of required courses and electives might be most ideal for students planning to pursue careers in providing psychological services post-degree.

**First Year**

**Fall 2017 (11 credits)**
- COUN 7320 Theories of Counseling*
- COUN 7330 Counseling Diverse Populations*
- COUN 7970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology I (to eventually be 8230)*
- COUN 8530 Contemporary Issues in Counseling Psychology (Ethical, Legal, & Professional Issues)*

**Spring 2018 (14 credits)**
- COUN 7340 Group Counseling
- COUN 7350 Introduction to Counseling Practice*
- COUN 7250 Advanced Assessment and Diagnosis*
- COUN 7970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology II (to eventually be 8240)*
- ERMA 7300 Design & Analysis in Education I

**Summer 2018 (6 credits)**
- PSYC 7150 Biological Bases of Behavior
- ERMA 7310 Design & Analysis in Education II

**Second Year**

**Fall 2018 (11 credits)**
- COUN 7210 Adult Appraisal (will eventually be numbered COUN 8120)
- COUN 8400 Professional Seminar in Counseling Psychology
- COUN 7910 Practicum in Counseling Psychology (note, obtaining passing grades in courses marked with an asterisk is required before students can begin this course)
- COUN 8970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology III (to eventually be 8250)

**Spring 2019 (8 credits)**
- COUN 7910 Practicum in Counseling Psychology (note, obtaining passing grades in courses marked with an asterisk is required before students can begin this course)
- COUN 8970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology IV (to eventually be 8260)
- ERMA 8350 Advanced Measurement Theory

**Summer 2019 (9 credits)**
- COUN 8970 Great Ideas in Psychology (PSYC 7100 is an approved substitute, requires approval)
- PSYC 7180 Social Psychology (or approved COUN course on Social Psychology)
- PSYC 7190 Cognitive Psychology (or approved COUN course on Cognitive and Affective Bases of Behavior)
Third Year

Fall 2019 (9 credits)
COUN 8910 Advanced Practicum in Counseling Psychology
COUN 8300 Research Design
Elective Course (could also be moved to fourth year or summer; might include another advanced theories course, a special topics course, or other courses that facilitate practice career goals)

Spring 2020 (9 credits)
COUN 8910 Advanced Practicum in Counseling Psychology
COUN 8200 Intellectual Assessment of Adults COUN 8200 is offered every two years
COUN 8210 Test Administration and Professional Practice. Enrollment in COUN 8200 requires co-enrollment in this applications seminar and enrollment in this course requires co-enrollment in COUN 8200.

Summer 2020 (9 credits)
COUN 7310 Counseling Across the Lifespan
COUN 7230 Career Development and Vocational Appraisal
A COUN advanced theories course (all students must take at least one advanced theories course)

Fourth Year

Fall 2020 (6 credits)
COUN 8540 Supervision – Theory & Practice
COUN 8800 Professional Development & Pre-Internship Seminar (Taken only when applying for internship)

Spring 2021 (3 or more credits)
COUN 8970 Psychological Science & Health
Electives/ Research/Dissertation/Any classes not yet completed.

Summer 2021
Electives/ Research/Dissertation/Any classes not yet completed.

Note: Enrollment in Internship (COUN 8930—a zero-hour course) is required while on internship. Students are required to have a minimum of 10 semester hours of Dissertation prior to graduation. Students also must enroll in Dissertation while working on their dissertation (so students may have to enroll for more than 10 hours). Students should consult with their advisor and review Graduate School Policies and Program Policies regarding internship and dissertation.

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Course Sequence Example for an Academic Career
Students Entering Fall, 2017
Auburn University
Updated 4/11/2017

The following example of required courses and electives might be most appropriate for students interested in teaching and research careers post-degree. The following is just an example and would result in a student exceeding the minimum number of hours required.

**First Year**

**Fall 2017 (11 credits)**
COUN 7320 Theories of Counseling*
COUN 7330 Counseling Diverse Populations *
COUN 8530 Contemporary Issues in Counseling Psychology (Ethical, Legal, & Professional Issues)*
COUN 8970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology I (to eventually be 8310)*

**Spring 2018 (12 credits)**
COUN 7350 Introduction to Counseling Practice*
COUN 7250 Advanced Assessment and Diagnosis*
COUN 7340 Group Counseling
COUN 7900 Independent Study-Research (taken for 1 hour each over 3 terms is one elective option; other options include COUN 8910 Teaching Practicum, or extra research/stats courses which may fall under other terms depending on availability; 1 hour option is counted in credit hours here because a different elective option is counted)
COUN 7970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology II (to eventually be 8230)*

**Summer 2018 (7 credits)**
COUN 7900 Independent Study-Research (taken for 1 hour each over 3 terms is one elective option; other options include COUN 8910 Teaching Practicum, or extra research/stats courses which may fall under other terms depending on availability; 1 hour option is counted in credit hours here because a different elective option is counted)
PSYC 7150 Biological Bases of Behavior
COUN 7310 Counseling Across the Lifespan

**Second Year**

**Fall 2018 (12 credits)**
COUN 8400 Professional Seminar in Counseling Psychology
COUN 7910 Practicum in Counseling Psychology (note, obtaining passing grades in courses marked with an asterisk is required before students can begin this course)
COUN 7970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology III (to eventually be 8240)
HDFS 7050 Research Methods for HDFS
HDFS 7051 Research Methods Lab HDFS (required if students choose to take HDFS 7050)
Spring 2019 (12 credits)
COUN 7910 Practicum in Counseling Psychology (note, obtaining passing grades in courses marked with an asterisk is required before students can begin this course)
ERMA 8350 Advanced Measurement Theory
COUN 8970 Colloquium in Counseling Psychology IV (to eventually be 8250)
HDFS 7060 Research Methods II
HDFS 7061 Research Methods Family Studies II Lab (required if students choose to take HDFS 7060)

Summer 2019 (9 credits)
COUN 8970 Great Ideas in Psychology (PSYC 7100 is an approved substitute, requires approval)
PSYC 7180 Social Psychology (or approved COUN course on Social Psychology)
PSYC 7190 Cognitive Psychology (or approved COUN course on Cognitive and Affective Bases of Behavior)

Third Year
Fall 2019 (10 credits)
COUN 7210 Adult Appraisal (will eventually be numbered COUN 8120)
COUN 8910 Advanced Practicum in Counseling Psychology
COUN 8300 Research Design
COUN 7900 Independent Study-Research (taken for 1 hour each over 3 terms is one elective option; other options include COUN 8910 Teaching Practicum, or extra research/stats courses which may fall under other terms depending on availability; 1 hour option is counted in credit hours here because a different elective option is counted)

Spring 2020 (9 credits)
COUN 8910 Advanced Practicum in Counseling Psychology
COUN 8200 Intellectual Assessment of Adults or COUN 7220 (Intellectual Assessment of Children and Adolescents with permission from advisor). COUN 8200 is offered every two years
COUN 8210 Test Administration and Professional Practice. Enrollment in COUN 8200 requires co-enrollment in this applications seminar and enrollment in this course requires co-enrollment in COUN 8200.

Summer 2020 (6 credits)
COUN 7230 Career Development and Vocational Appraisal
A COUN advanced theories course (all students must take at least one advanced theories course)
If available, choose a required PSYC course not previously taken.

Fourth Year
Fall 2020 (6 credits)
COUN 8540 Supervision – Theory & Practice
COUN 8800 Professional Development & Pre-Internship Seminar (Taken only when applying for internship)
Spring 2021 (3 or more credits)
COUN 8970 Psychological Science & Health
Electives/ Research/Dissertation/Any classes not yet completed.

Summer 2021
Electives/ Research/Dissertation/Any classes not yet completed.

See notes from general curriculum sequence for required enrollment of dissertation and internship hours.

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