

246-810-024

Counseling-related degrees that meet the requirements for certified counselor and certified adviser.

(1) ~~An applicant for a certified counselor credential must have a~~ counseling-related bachelor's degree ~~must be in a field specified in subsection (3) of this section~~ from an ~~approved-recognized~~ educational program or institution. The degree must have required the equivalent of at least four years of full-time study, ~~and at least one third of the courses must have included one or more of subjects listed in subsection (4) of this section.~~

(2) ~~An applicant for a certified adviser credential must have a~~ counseling-related associate degree ~~must be in a field specified in subsection (3) of this section~~ from an ~~approved-recognized~~ educational program or institution. The degree must have the equivalent of at least two years of full-time study and ~~include~~ a supervised internship. ~~At least one fourth of the required courses must have included one or more of the subjects listed in subsection (4) of this section.~~

~~(3) An advanced or graduate degree from a recognized educational program or institution in any of the subject areas listed in subsection (4) of this section will meet the education requirements for certified counselor or certified adviser.~~

~~(3) Fields recognized as related to counseling include but are not limited to:~~

~~(a) Counseling;~~

~~(b) Psychology;~~

~~(c) Social work;~~

~~(d) Behavioral science;~~

~~(e) Psychiatry and psychiatric nursing;~~

~~(f) Special education; and~~

~~(g) Substance use disorders.~~

~~(4) When an applicant's degree is not listed in subsection (3) of this section, the department shall determine if it's counseling-related under WAC 246-810-0241, based on coursework completed.~~

~~(4) Counseling-related subjects:~~

~~(a) Addiction counseling;~~

~~(b) Adolescent and child counseling;~~

~~(c) Anger management counseling;~~

~~(d) Applied behavioral science;~~

~~(e) Behavior management or behavior modification;~~

~~(f) Biofeedback;~~

~~(g) Child development;~~

~~(h) Clinical social work;~~

~~(i) Community mental health;
(j) Counseling persons with developmental or intellectual disabilities;
(k) Counseling ethics;
(l) Developmental psychology;
(m) Domestic violence counseling;
(n) Elder counseling;
(o) Grief counseling;
(p) Human development;
(q) Human services counseling;
(r) Learning disabilities counseling;
(s) Marriage and family counseling;
(t) Mental health counseling;
(u) Ministerial or pastoral counseling;
(v) Multicultural counseling;
(w) Organizational psychology;
(x) Personality theory;
(y) Physiological psychology;
(z) Psychiatry and psychiatric nursing;
(aa) Psychological measurement and research;
(bb) Psychology;
(cc) Psychopathology and abnormal psychology;
(dd) Sexual disorder counseling;
(ee) Social work;
(ff) Special education;
(gg) Stress disorder counseling;
(hh) Substance and chemical abuse counseling; and
(ii) Transpersonal psychology.
(5) The secretary may accept other equivalent counseling-related education or training programs in the subjects listed in subsection (4) of this section.~~

246-810-0241

Counseling-related coursework that meets the requirements for certified counselor and certified adviser.

(1) For certified counselors, an applicant's degree shall be considered as counseling-related if the degree contains at least 45 quarter, or 30 semester, college credits in counseling-related subjects listed in subsection (3) of this section.

(2) For certified advisers, an applicant's degree shall be considered as counseling-related if the degree contains at least 23 quarter, or 15 semester, college credits in counseling-related subjects listed in subsection (3) of this section.

(3) Counseling-related subjects include:

(a) Addictive behavior counseling;

(b) Anger management counseling;

(c) Applied behavioral science;

(d) Behavior management or behavior modification;

(e) Biofeedback;

(f) Career counseling;

(g) Child development;

(h) Clinical social work;

(i) Community mental health;

(j) Counseling children and adolescents;

(k) Counseling ethics;

(l) Crisis counseling and abuse;

(m) Developmental psychology;

(n) Elder counseling;

(o) Grief counseling;

(p) Human growth and development;

(q) Human services counseling;

(r) Developmental disability counseling;

(s) Marriage and family counseling;

(t) Mental health counseling;

(u) Ministerial or pastoral counseling;

(v) Multicultural considerations in counseling;

(w) Organizational psychology;

(x) Personality theory;

(y) Physiological psychology;

(z) Psychiatry and psychiatric nursing;

(aa) Psychological measurement and research;

(bb) Psychology;

(cc) Psychopathology and abnormal psychology;

(dd) Sexuality and counseling;

(ee) Social work;

(ff) Special education;

(gg) Stress disorder counseling;

(hh) Substance use counseling; and

(ii) Transpersonal psychology.