Information about accreditation status of the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program and the dual program in Social Psychology and Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Our Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) accreditation expired in July 2019. In May 2018 CPSY faculty decided to withdraw our accreditation from CACREP due to our inability to accommodate their requests following their re-view of our program’s self-study. CACREP’s primary concerns revolved around the fact that our faculty are counseling psychologists, not counselor educators, and the interdependence between the various programs within CPSY, especially the CMHC and Ph.D. programs in Counseling Psychology. The way these programs are structured, neither the CMHC program nor the doctoral program in Counseling Psychology can exist without one another. The interrelationship between these two programs provides an excellent training opportunity for both our CMHC and Counseling Psychology students and we do not want to forgo it. Thus, we decided to seek other accrediting bodies.

We are in the process of seeking accreditation from MPCAC - Masters in Psychology and Counseling Accreditation Council, https://mpcacaccreditation.org/. We had a site visit from them in June 2023 and are in the process of responding to their requests and making sure that we are in compliance with their 2024 standards that came into effect January 2024. We encourage all applicants and prospective students to check with their state licensing board about requirements needed for MA level mental health counseling licensure.

Sincerely,

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