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Chi Sigma Iota



Please consider joining Chi Sigma Iota which is a national honorary for students majoring in Counselor Education. After students are admitted to the Counselor Education Program, they may join Chi Sigma Iota after their first semester if they have a minimum GPA (grade point average) of 3.5. For additional information on joining Chi Sigma Iota, please contact Dr. Hendricks at bret.hendricks@ttu.edu or 806-742-1998 x230 or Dr. Bradley at Loretta.Bradley@ttu.edu.

Assessment for Professional Counselors

EPCE 5376 – Fundamentals of Assessment for Professional Counselors! Dr. Crews will be teaching the course during the Summer II 2009 semester and Fall 2009. So mark your calendars now! Course topics are specifically designed to introduce relevant assessment procedures for professional counselors. Some topics include:

- Counseling Testing and Assessment
- Counselor Cultural and Legal/Ethical Considerations
- Clinical Counseling Assessments
- Statistics Refresher
- Common Counseling Assessments
- Counseling Tests and Testing
- Use of Intelligence Measures for Counselors
- The Assessment of People with Disabilities
- School Counselor – Preschool and Educational Assessment
- Test Result Interpretation
- Constructing Informal Counseling Assessment
- Responsibilities of Users of Standardized Tests (RUST)

For additional information, please contact Dr. Crews at Charles.Crews@ttu.edu or 806-742-1997 x313.

More Parents Moving in With Kids

By [Greg Toppo](#) and [Anthony DeBarros](#), USA TODAY

Sept. 23, 2008 12:00 AM
USA Today

In the 1990s, your family came for dinner. Now, they're moving in.

The number of parents, siblings and other relatives who live with adult heads of households grew 42 percent from 2000 to 2007, according to data released today by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Leading the way: parents, up 67 percent, to 3.6 million

The figures suggest it isn't only elderly parents moving in. The number of parents under 65 in these households increased by 75 percent, and those 65 and older were up 62 percent. Both groups outpaced the increase in the number of people in family households overall, which is up 6 percent since 2000.

Stephanie Coontz, a family-history professor at Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash., who directs research at the Council on Contemporary Families, suspects that a host of

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Counselor Education Links for Students

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factors - among them higher housing costs and the nation's struggling economy - are prompting families to combine [expenses](#). Also, intergenerational households are more common among the country's growing number of immigrants, she says.

Coontz also notes that parent-child relationships are closer now than in the past. The downside, she says, is the emergence of the so-called helicopter parent who may hover too closely, but the upside is a tighter bond between generations and, in many cases, closer friendships between grown children and their parents.

"I don't know how many of my students have told me, 'This may sound weird, but I talk to my parents more than I talk to my friends.' "

The average size of families and households grew from 2000 to 2007, the data show. The average family in 2007 had 3.2 people, up from 3.14 in 2000. The average household, which includes those in which someone lives alone, had 2.61 people in 2007, up from 2.59 in 2000.

Federal Mental Health and Addictive Disorder Parity Law Enacted

For more than a decade, the American Counseling Association (ACA) and the American Mental Health Counselors Association (AMHCA) have been working alongside other mental health and addictive disorder advocacy organizations to gain the enactment of a federal law to help end discriminatory insurance coverage of mental health and addictive disorder services. This goal was realized last week with the enactment of the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008, as part of broad economic rescue and tax policy extension legislation. The House approved a Senate-passed economic recovery package on Friday, October 3rd, by a vote of 263 to 171, and that afternoon President Bush signed the legislation into law.

The parity law's requirements will apply to group health plans for plan years beginning one year from now. Starting then, health plans covering more than 50 employees will be prohibited from using different deductibles, copayment requirements, or treatment limits for mental health and addictive disorder services than are used for other types of covered care.

ACA and AMHCA devoted significant time and energy into pushing the parity legislation, and will continue working alongside other mental health advocacy organizations on the development of regulations to implement the new law. Their work would not have succeeded, however, without grassroots advocacy by counselors. We should sincerely thank counselors who contacted their Senators and House members over the years to push for passage of this legislation.

For more information on the new parity law, please contact Scott Barstow, ACA Director of Public Policy and Legislation at 800-347-6647 x 234, e-mail: sbarstow@counseling.org.

Student Meetings for Spring 2009

The following student meetings have been scheduled. Please note the following meetings are **required** meetings:

1. **Prospective Student Meeting** – This meeting is planned for students (prospective and/or graduate temporary) seeking admission to the Counselor Education program. This meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in room 166, COE.
2. **Admitted Student Meeting** – This meeting is scheduled for students who were admitted to begin their degree in spring, 2009. This meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in room 166, COE.
3. **Clinical Orientation Meeting** – This meeting is scheduled for students who plan to enroll in practicum during spring, 2009 or internship during summer or

- TTU Financial Aid
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- TTU Library

fall, 2009. This meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 23 from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in room 203, COE.

4. **Summer 2009 Internship Meeting** – This meeting is scheduled for students who plan to enroll in internship during summer, 2009. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 23 from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in room 203, COE.

Site Supervisors Meeting for Spring 2009

This meeting is scheduled for supervisors who are supervising students enrolled in practicum or internship during spring 2009. The meeting will be February 11th at 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. The location will be announced closer to this date. For information, please contact Dr. Bret Hendricks at bret.hendricks@ttu.edu or 806-742-1997 X230.

Emergency Information

Texas Tech University has implemented an Emergency Alert Notification system to communicate important alerts and emergency response information to students, faculty, and staff. To receive alerts, update your contact information at: www.ttu.edu/emergencyalert.

Mental Health Certificate

The Counselor Education Program has a new certificate, the Mental Health Certificate. The certificate is available to students taking (or have taken) the appropriate courses within the last six years (see list below) and who have or will graduate with a 48-hour masters degree in Counselor Education.

To receive the Mental Health Certificate, the student must complete the following classes:

Required Courses: 4 Courses Required	
Required Courses	Prerequisites
EPCE 5364	None
EPCE 5366	5364
EPCE 5372	None
EPCE 5373	5372
Elective Courses: Select one course from the following:	
Elective Courses	Prerequisites
EPCE 5354	None
EPCE 5355	None
EPCE 5357	None
EPCE 5370	5353, 5364
EPCE 5371	5353, 5364
EPCE 5360	See Student Handbook
EPCE 5094	5360

During fall, 2009, EPCE 5373 Advanced Addictions will be taught by Dr. Hendricks on Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. - 8:50 p.m.

For additional information on the Mental Health Certificate please contact Dr. Marbley at aretha.marbley@ttu.edu or 742-1997 x268 or Dr. L.J. Gould at LJ.Gould@ttu.edu or 742-1997 x296.

Admissions

Deadlines for applying for admission to the Counselor Education program are October 1, February 1, and June 1. Please be aware that you must submit your application to the TTU Graduate School 4-6 weeks prior to the above deadlines. Failure to submit your materials on time will result in your admissions application being delayed a semester for admission review. For additional information, please review the *Prospective Med Student Handbook* that is available on our website (www.educ.ttu.edu/epce/).

Welcome Dr. LJ Gould

Dr. LJ Gould was recently employed as the Counselor Education Business Manager. Dr. Gould works Monday – Thursday from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Her office is on the second floor of the COE, Room 205. Some of Dr. Gould's duties are:

- Meeting with prospective students to provide information on admission procedures and degree requirements.
- Meeting with admitted students to help students complete their degree Plan of Study.
- Meeting with students to describe the LPC licensure procedures or School Counseling Certificate procedures. If you are seeking a School Counseling Certificate, you must also contact Dr. Pam Tipton.
- Meeting with students to be sure they have met all requirements for enrolling in Practicum (EPCE 5360). Please turn in your reservation form to Dr Gould in Room 205, COE. For information on the reservation process, please contact Dr. Gould at 742-1997 x 296 or LJ.Gould@ttu.edu.

Transfer Credits

Students enrolled in the Counselor Education program may transfer 6-9 hours credit providing the counseling courses to be transferred were obtained at a CACREP Accredited Counselor Education Program and are equivalent to the Counselor Education classes at TTU. Students may not transfer counseling course credits for NON-CACREP accredited programs. Students may not transfer credits for Techniques (EPCE 5357), Practicum (EPCE 5360), and Internship (EPCE 5094); these courses must be taken at TTU. This means EPCE 5357, 5360, and 5094 CANNOT be transferred from a CACREP program.

Masters Comprehensive Examinations 2009

The Masters Comprehensive Examination (Masters Comp) is scheduled for the following:

- March, 7, 2009 for May 2009 graduation
- June 6, 2009 for August 2009 graduation
- October 2009 – date still pending for December graduation

Students must apply to take the examination and deadlines are enforced. You may apply online or by contacting Ms. Mountz at patsy.mountz@ttu.edu or 806-742-1998 x434. Study materials and information are on reserve at the LRC (2nd floor, Education Bldg.) or by contacting the publisher of the exam which is the National Board for Certified Counselors (www.nbcc.org). Please note the study materials at the LRC cannot be checked out; the materials must be retained at the LRC. Please note that dates/times may change so please contact the web site or Ms. Mountz to be sure of the date/time for Masters Comp administration.

Masters Comps Congratulations

Congratulations to students who passed Masters Comps during Fall, 2008. All (100%) students passed Masters Comps in Fall, 2008.

Graduate Congratulations

Congratulations to our newest graduates for Fall, 2008 and to those students who will be graduating in Spring, 2009. Best wishes to all of you!

Practicum and Internship Reservations for Summer, 2009 and Fall, 2009

If you are planning to enroll in Internship (EPCE 5094) during summer, 2009 or fall, 2009 or Practicum (EPCE 5360) during fall, 2009 please complete a reservation form and give it to Dr. L.J. Gould, Counselor Education Business Manager, room 205 COE, by January 15, 2009. Prior to enrolling in practicum,

students must complete all prerequisite and co-requisite requirements with the exception that a maximum of two co-requisite courses may be taken during the semester in which the student is enrolled in practicum. For more information please consult the website and review the *Admitted MEd Student Handbook and Field Experiences Handbook*. A listing of approved practicum and internship sites may be reviewed at <http://Lestat.educ.ttu.edu:8080/epce-sites/>. Please note practicum and internship sites and site supervisors must be approved. If you plan to complete a practicum or internship at a site that is not on the approved list on the web, please contact Dr. Hendricks at bret.hendricks@TTU.edu to ask him to conduct a site visit to see if the site meets approved criteria. For site approval, the student must contact Dr. Hendricks at least three months before he/she enrolls in practicum or internship.

Counselor Education Advisory Board

The Counselor Education Program has an Advisory Board that meets twice a year. The purpose of the Advisory Board is to make recommendations to the faculty on curriculum, accreditation, and recruitment. The September, 2008 meeting of the Board was held at American State Bank. A special thanks to Greg Jones, Executive Vice President, American State Bank for hosting the fall, 2008 meeting. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for March 4, 2009. Thanks to Mr. Joe Duke, the meeting will be hosted by and held at TTU Career Placement Center.

The members of the Board are:

- Michelle Behpour, CPS Program Director, Child Protective Services
- Ted Dotts, Retired Senior Vice President, Covenant Health System
- Joe Duke, Associate Director, TTU Career Center
- Steven Henderson, Director, Lubbock County Community Supervision and Corrections Department
- Larry Hess, Director of Guidance and Counseling, Lubbock Independent School District
- Greg Jones, Executive Vice President, American State Bank
- Don McCormick, Counselor, Levelland High School
- Gertrude Miller, LPC, Retired
- Gloria Moore, Director of Special Education, SELCO
- Kim Pavlik, Director of Aging and Disabilities, Lubbock Regional MHMR
- Rev. Renae Phillips, Pastor, The Metropolitan Community Church
- Charlotte Romero, School Counselor, Estacado High School
- Leon Williams, Counseling Specialist, Project Intercept LISD



Students in the News – Graduate School Scholarships

Eight students from Counselor Education have been awarded scholarships from the Graduate school.

Masters Students:

- Jana Bowen – Health and Social Services Fellowship
- Shih-han Huang – Health and Social Services Fellowship
- Qualimetra Hutchens – Health and Social Services Fellowship
- Elizabeth Robertson – DeVitt Jones Part-time Scholarship
- Laura Sparrow – DeVitt Jones Part-time Scholarship

Doctoral Students:

- Rachelle Berg – DeVitt Jones Fellowship
- Jill Brue – DeVitt Jones Part-time Scholarship
- Katie Rhode – AT&T Chancellor's Fellowship

Doctoral Cohort Research News

Students in our 2007 PhD cohort have been actively involved in research. In this

section, we list the conferences our students have been accepted to for the fall, 2008 semester and the research they are presenting.

- Rachelle Berg, Greg Johnston, and Brian McClenagan are presenting on Advocacy for GLBTQ students at the annual meeting of the National Association for Multicultural Education
- Greg Johnston, Rachelle Berg, and Darrice Griffin are presenting on Inequity in Diagnosis and Treatment of Depression in Underrepresented Adolescent Populations at the annual meeting of the National Association for Multicultural Education
- Katie Rhode is presenting on the Effect of Curriculum on How High School Students Think at the annual meeting of the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented

Licensed Professional Counselor Procedures

The procedures below list the steps in applying for your LPC – Intern Temporary License. Please note that you must have completed your master's degree with a focus in community counseling before you are eligible to apply for the temporary license.

- Download an application packet from the "Applications/Forms" web page, or apply online at: www.texasonline.state.tx.us.
- Complete the application form (be sure to sign it), the practicum documentation form, and the supervisory agreement form. Enclose an official, sealed graduate transcript (or have your transcript mailed directly from the university). Enclose the processing fee and mail all materials to the address shown at the top of the application form.
- Temporary licenses are valid for 36 months and may be extended by the LPC Board once for an additional 36 months upon proof of completing the Texas Jurisprudence Exam and payment of the extension fee prior to the expiration date.
- To take the two required examinations (NCE exam and Jurisprudence exam), go to www.dshs.state.tx.us/counselor/lpc_exam.shtm. From this site you can download the registration form for the NCE exam and start the process of taking the Jurisprudence exam.
- To obtain information on the procedures for the LPC, please contact the LPC Board (512-834-6658) or by email.

School Counseling Certification Procedures

By Pam Tipton, EdD, TTU COE Director of Certification

If you are planning to seek School Counselor Certification, you must apply to obtain this certification. After you are admitted to the Counselor Education Program, the following are the steps that you follow:

1. Schedule an appointment with the Certification Advisor in the College of Education to complete the admission process by starting a certification file. You will need to provide service records at this time.
2. Contact your assigned faculty advisor for program overview and certification plan approval.
3. Return the signed certification plan to your Certification Advisor.
4. Keep both your faculty and certification advisors aware of your current address and phone number. Make sure you have a current and functional email address.
5. Complete professional education course work.
6. Take and pass all required exams listed below. Be aware of criteria and prep courses for exams. Students pursuing the School Counselor Certificate in Texas can initiate the state examination process during the last

semester of study in the Counselor Education Program (typically during internship). Currently, TExES exams cost \$82.00 per test, and you must obtain proof of eligibility to test (barcode) from the Teacher Certification Office before registering for any exam. You can obtain this barcode by completing the procedure outlined at www.educ.ttu.edu/certification/TExES/barcode_procedure.htm. In order for the Certification Office to recommend you to SBEC, you must complete all course work even if you pass the exam.

7. After you have completed all course work, passed all required exams, submitted an electronic portfolio based on the Texas education standards, and satisfied the required years of teaching experience, then you may apply for certification and pay the required fee through the SBEC website at www.sbec.state.tx.us.
8. Complete and turn in the "Request for SBEC Recommendation" form to the Advising Office of the College of Education, Room 106. For this procedure, see www.educ.ttu.edu/certification/current/.
9. The College of Education will review your certification file and issue a recommendation to SBEC. To be eligible for recommendation, you must have a Texas Teaching Certificate, a Master's Degree, and two years of creditable classroom teaching experience.
10. You will receive your certificate from SBEC after the above are successfully completed.

For additional information please contact Dr. Tipton at pam.tipton@ttu.edu or 742-1998 X451.

Please Note: The College of Education has a new certification web site at www.educ.ttu.edu/certification.

Registered Play Therapist Guide

In this section, we describe the criteria by which licensed mental health professionals might demonstrate and promote their specialized play therapy knowledge and training by earning these credentials*:

- **Registered Play Therapist™ (RPT)**
- **Registered Play Therapist-Supervisor™ (RPT-S)**

Registered Play Therapists (RPT) and Registered Play Therapists-Supervisors (RPT-S) are licensed or certified practitioners who have earned a Master's or higher mental health degree, 150 or more hours of specialized play therapy training, substantial clinical and play therapy experience and supervision, and at least 36 hours of continuing education during subsequent three-year renewal cycles. Mental health professionals are invited to review the criteria, instructions, and forms necessary to earn and maintain these credentials.

For more information: www.a4pt.org

[RPT/S Guide and Application \(PDF\)](#)

[RPT/S Guide and Application \(SmartDOC\)](#)

[RPT/S Renewal Form \(PDF\)](#)

[RPT/S Renewal Form \(SmartDOC\)](#)

Conference/Meeting Dates

1. American Counseling Association Conference

Charlotte, NC
March 19-23, 2009

Pittsburg, PA
March, 2010
www.ACA.org

2. American Counseling Association Regional Conferences

Midwest Regional Conference
TBA

Southern Regional Conference
November 11 – 14, 2009

Western Regional Conference
TBA

North Atlantic Regional Conference
TBA

3. American Educational Research Conference

April 13 – April 17, 2009
San Diego Convention Center, San Diego Marriott Marina
www.AERA.net

4. American School Counselor Association Conference

June 28 – July 1, 2009
Dallas, Texas
www.ACA.org

6. National Career Development Association Conference

July 1 -3, 2009
St. Louis, MO
www.ncda.org

7. Southwest Educational Research Association Conference

February 4 – 7, 2009
St. Anthony Hotel
San Antonio, TX
www.sera-edresearch.org/conference/

8. Texas Counseling Association Conference

November 11 – 14, 2009
Dallas, Texas
www.txca.org

9. Texas School Counselors Conference

Elementary School Counselor
May 3 – 5, 2009
Austin, Texas
www.txca.org

Secondary School Counselor
February 15 – 17, 2009
Austin, Texas
www.txca.org

9. Texas Counseling Association Workshop

November 21, 2008

Presented by: Lt. Steve Ayers; Sgt. Mark McRee
Hosted by: Texoma Counseling Association
Title of Workshop: Gang Awareness
Location of Workshop: China Star Restaurant, Meeting Room, Sherman, Texas
Credits Offered: 3.0 General Hours
More Information: Dana Hyatt at dphyatt@pottsboroisd.org

December 2, 2008

Presented by: Anna Carrillo, Darla Avery, Ren Pettijohn
Hosted by: Permian Basin Counseling Association

Title of Workshop: Sandtray Basics for Schools
Location of Workshop: Career Center, Odessa Texas
Credits Offered: 3.0 General Hours
More Information: Anna Carrillo at anna.carrillo@ectorcountyisd.org

January 16, 2009

Presented by: Brett Hendricks
Hosted by: Trans-Pecos Counseling Association
Title of Workshop: Ethics and Professional Counseling: A Wellness Approach
Location of Workshop: Judge Marcos Center – El Paso
Credits Offered: 3.0 Ethics Hours
More Information: www.transpecos.org/

January 30, 2009

Presented by: Loretta Bradley and Gerald Parr
Hosted by: West Texas Counseling Association
Title of Workshop: Ethical Issues
Location of Workshop: Wayland Baptist University
Credits Offered: 3.0 Cells Ethics Hours
More Information: Dr. Kaylene Brown at kaylene.brown@ttu.edu

Presented by: Sandy Froese
Hosted by: Texoma Counseling Association
Title of Workshop: Current Ethical Issues
Location of Workshop: Denison ISD Service Center - Denison, TX
Credits Offered: 3.0 General Hours; 3.0 Ethics Hours
More Information: Dana Hyatt at dphyatt@pottsboroisd.org

February 5, 2009

Presented by: Ruben Perez
Hosted by: Spring Creek Counseling Association
Title of Workshop: Working with Difficult People
Location of Workshop: Cy-Fair College - Cypress, TX
Credits Offered: 1.0 General Hours
More Information: Lisa Adams at lisa.adams@cfisd.net

March 27, 2009

Presented by: Barbara Roland
Hosted by: Texoma Counseling Association
Title of Workshop: Children Who Self Injure
Location of Workshop: Kelly Square, Meeting Room, Sherman Texas
Credits Offered: 3.0 General Hours
More Information: Dana Hyatt at dphyatt@pottsboroisd.org

May 12, 2009

Presented by: Karen Miller & Angela King
Hosted by: Spring Creek Counseling Association
Title of Workshop: Games We Can Play
Location of Workshop: Kingwood College
Credits Offered: 1.0 General Hours
More Information: Lisa Adams at lisa.adams@cfisd.net

9. Healing Hearts Through Play

16th Annual Texas Association for Play Therapy Conference
April 3-5, 2009
The Omni San Antonio at The Colonnade
San Antonio, TX
Key Note Speaker: Paris Goodyear-Brown, LCSW, RPT-S
<http://txapt.org/>

10. Association for Play Therapy Conference 2009

October 6 – 11, 2009
Renaissance Waverly Hotel,
Atlanta, GA,
www.a4pt.org

Important Phone Numbers

Emergency 9-911

Ambulance
Fire
Police

Texas Tech Police

Non-emergency 806-742-3931

Physical Plant

Maintenance Emergencies
806-742-3301
806-742-3328 (after 5pm)

Information Technology

806-742-HELP
Server-related issues 806-742-3649

Texas Department of Public Safety

806-747-4491

The Emergency Communications Center
212 Administration Bldg
Lubbock, TX 79409
806-742-2136
806-742-1615 fax
Normal Office Hours:
8am-5pm Central, Monday-Friday

EPCE Faculty

Full Time (alphabetical order):

Loretta J. Bradley, PhD	Paul Whitfield Horn Professor & Coordinator, Counselor Education & Director, PhD Program.
Charles Crews, PhD	Assistant Professor & Director School Counseling Program.
Bret Hendricks, EdD	Associate Professor & Clinical Director for Practicum/Internship Placement
Aretha Marbley, PhD	Associate Professor & Director, Community Counseling
Gerald Parr, PhD	Professor & Director, Assessment Services

Adjunct Faculty (alphabetical order) for spring, 2009:

Kaylene Brown, PhD	Adjunct Professor, Counselor Education
Cassie Collins, PhD	Adjunct Professor, Counselor Education
Perry Collins, EdD	Adjunct Professor, Counselor Education
L.J. Gould, EdD	Adjunct Professor, Counselor Education
Judy Jarret, PhD	Adjunct Professor, Counselor Education
Gordon Jones, PhD	Adjunct Professor, Counselor Education

