

COMMUNITY CARE & COUNSELING (ED.S.) - PASTORAL CARE & COUNSELING

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
EDCO 705	Issues and Trends in Community Counseling	3
EDCO 711	Advanced Group Counseling	3
EDCO 715	Applied Counseling Theories	3
EDCO 725	Teaching and Learning	3
EDCO 741	Introduction to Research Methods	3
Total Hours		15

Code	Title	Hours
Pastoral Care & Counseling Cognate		
EDCO 821	Ethics & Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
EDCO 826	Growth & Development of the Pastoral Counselor	3
EDCO 831	Individual & Family Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
EDCO 836	Premarital & Marital Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
EDCO 841	Crisis & Current Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
Total Hours		15

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 30 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format

Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
EDCO 705	Issues and Trends in Community Counseling	3
EDCO 715	Applied Counseling Theories	3
EDCO 711	Advanced Group Counseling ¹	3

Course	Title	Hours
EDCO 741	Introduction to Research Methods	3
Hours		12
Second Semester		
EDCO 725	Teaching and Learning	3
EDCO 821	Ethics & Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
EDCO 826	Growth & Development of the Pastoral Counselor	3
EDCO 831	Individual & Family Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
Hours		12
Third Year		
First Semester		
EDCO 836	Premarital & Marital Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
EDCO 841	Crisis & Current Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3
Hours		6
Total Hours		30

¹ Intensive Format optional