

Welcome to the **Master's in Counseling Program, online**. Thank you for your interest! Here are the answers to frequently asked questions.

- **When does the program start?**
We start a cohort every fall, spring and summer!
- **When is the preferred deadline date for admissions?**
COUN Online accepts students Fall, Spring and Summer.
Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible as the cohorts fill up quickly.
- **What are the requirements for an application?**
Applicants for the Online COUN Program must submit the following:
 - ✓ Completed online application
 - ✓ Official transcripts reflecting Bachelor's Degree
 - ✓ 3 completed recommendation forms
 - ✓ Personal Statement
 - ✓ 35.00 Application Fee
- **Where do I send the materials after I complete them?**
You may email, or scan & attach your materials to: Keeley Stewart at stewartk@lindsey.edu
- **I just completed my online application at <http://lindseyonline.lindsey.edu/programs/chd/> Now what?**
Your application will be processed and then forwarded to COUN Online Graduate Admissions Committee. You will first receive a letter indicating your acceptance status into the college. You will then be asked to make application to the COUN Online Program and be provided with a list of items needed for your completed application. Once all of the materials are received you will be contacted to schedule an interview. Following the interview, you will then receive a letter indicating your status. As your first semester nears, you will be sent information instructing you about courses, technology, residency, textbooks, etc.

Keeley Stewart, the Online COUN program coordinator, will contact you once your ONLINE APPLICATION has been submitted. She will include the required documents and the application instructions in her email

- **Where do I send my official transcripts?**

Please send official transcripts electronically to our ONLINE Admissions Office:

lindseyonline@lindsey.edu

OR

If your transcripts must be sent in the mail, please send to:

Office of Online Admissions

210 Lindsey Wilson Street

Columbia, KY 42728

- **Do you require the GRE or MAT for admission?**

No, The MAT or GRE is not required for admission into the program.

- **What is the cost of classes?**

The cost of Online Graduate Courses is \$510.00 per credit hour. A \$61 technology fee is applied one time per semester.

- **Is financial aid accepted?**

Yes. Lindsey Wilson College participates in the Federal Student Loan lending program. Students can complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) [here](#). The school code for Lindsey Wilson College is 001972.

- **How many credits are needed to complete the program and how long does it take to complete?**

60 credit hours are required for completion. Student who attend full time and follow the standard Program of Study can complete the program in six semesters.

- **Where can I find a list of the courses required to complete the program?**

Although student's program of study may vary, a list of course descriptions can be found [here](#).

- **Are all courses online?**

Yes, all courses are online. Your attendance will be required at the virtual orientation which takes place before the initial start of the program. You will be notified of your orientation date after you apply. Orientation attendance is required and will cover a large part of one of the first semester courses. Orientation is approximately 8 hours each day

- We also require a 2-day weekend residency in the 3rd semester. During residency weekend, you will be required to be on campus for meetings pertaining to the clinical internship experience. We schedule this on-campus weekend in the third semester to give students time to plan to attend and also use their financial aid to assist with travel costs, if necessary. More details below.

- **What do I need to know about the residency?**

The residency is a 2-day intensive session designed for students to have a better understanding of the clinical/internship requirements and placement, and the profession. The residencies are held on the [A.P. White Campus in Columbia, Kentucky](#) during the 3RD SEMESTER, and is part of one of the 3rd semester courses. During the residency, students will meet and interact with

members of their respective cohort as well as LWC faculty and staff. Each residency is designed to meet the student's needs in a variety of areas including:

- ✓ Connections to the college and Program Faculty
- ✓ Program success and completion
- ✓ Professional skills, training and competencies

Attendance to the residencies is mandatory and students will be responsible for transportation and accommodations. There is **no cost** to attend and we'll even take care of breakfast and lunch.

- **How do I access my classes?**

Once you have been accepted into the program and registered, you will be issued an I.D. number and access to the [LWC Blue Raider Portal](#). On your first visit to the Blue Raider Portal, you will be prompted to enter a user name and password (provided by the school). You will access your classes through Blackboard via the [Blue Raider Portal](#).

- **Upon completion of the program, what degree is awarded?**

Upon completion, you will have a Masters of Education in Counseling with a specialization in Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

- **What are the requirements to practice as a counselor in my state?**

Students can find their respective requirements for licensure by visiting the [American Counseling Association State Licensure Knowledge Center](#).

- **Is the COUN program accredited?**

Yes, we are accredited by [CACREP](#).

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Day"*