The mission of the Western Carolina University (WCU) Counseling program is to subscribe to the standards of the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Program (CACREP) and prepare ethically-bound professional counselors for entry-level positions in clinical and school settings. During the 2023-2024 academic year, an average of 70.3 (full- and part-time) students were enrolled in both the Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Fall 2023	2.0 (meets expectations level = 2)
Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Spring ‘24	2.10 (meets expectations level = 2)
Site-Supervisor Evaluations- Fall 2023	Practicum 2.38 (meets expectations level = 2) Internship 2.56

Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Fall 2023	2.0 (meets expectations level = 2)
Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Spring ‘24	2.0 (meets expectations level = 2)
Site-Supervisor Evaluations- Fall 2023	Practicum 2.25 (meets expectations level = 2) Internship 2.54 (meets expectations level = 2)
Site-Supervisor Evaluations- Spring 2024	Practicum 2.57 (meets expectations level = 2) Internship 2.62 (meets expectations level = 2)
Comps Fall 2023	88.6% overall (min. to pass = 70%); 88.9% CMHC; 88% SCH
Comps Spring 2024	89% overall (min. to pass = 70%); 91.4% CMHC; 84.3% SCH
NCE Fall 2023 100% pass rate	Student avg / National avg CMHC 10.8 / 9.8 SCH Scores not provided by NCE
NCE Spring 2024 100% pass rate	Student avg / National avg

Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Fall 2023	2.08 (meets expectations level = 2)
Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Spring ‘24	2.08 (meets expectations level = 2)
Site-Supervisor Evaluations- Fall 2023	Practicum 2.31 (meets expectations level = 2) Internship 2.61 (meets expectations level = 2)
Site-Supervisor Evaluations- Spring 2024	Practicum 2.69 (meets expectations level = 2) Internship 2.59 (meets expectations level = 2)
Comps Fall 2023	92.1% overall (min. to pass = 70%); 91.1% CMHC; 94% SCH
Comps Spring 2024	93.8% overall (min. to pass = 70%); 94.3% CMHC; 94.3% SCH
NCE Fall 2023 100% pass rate	Student avg = 27.08 (national avg = 27.08)

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Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Fall 2023	2.0 (meets expectations level = 2)
Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Spring ‘24	2.0 (meets expectations level = 2)
Site-Supervisor Evaluations- Fall 2023	Practicum 2.17 (meets expectations level = 2) Internship 2.48 (meets expectations level = 2)
Site-Supervisor Evaluations- Spring 2024	Practicum 2.22 (meets expectations level = 2) Internship 2.45 (meets expectations level = 2)
Comps Fall 2023	94.3% overall (min. to pass = 70%); 93% CMHC; 93% SCH
Comps Spring 2024	93.8% overall (min. to pass = 70%); 93.6% CMHC; 94.3% SCH
NCE Fall 2023 100% pass rate	Student avg / National avg CMHC 20.8 / 18.5 SCH Scores not provided by NCE
NCE Spring 2024 100% pass rate	Student avg / National avg CMHC 24.5 / 22.3 SCH 26.0 / 22.3
Graduate Exit Surveys (Spring 2024)	10/10 students reported strongly agree/agree to being prepared in knowledge and skill in

Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Fall 2023	2.05 (meets expectations level = 2)
Faculty End-of-Semester Review of Students Spring ‘24	2.08 (meets expectations level = 2)

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Summary: The aggregate data indicate students met expectations in the specialty area of

From input from the program's stakeholders (i.e., advisory council: faculty, students, site supervisors, alumni, employers) the program's mission statement has been updated to better reflect our mission and align with CACREP standards. Faculty will continue addressing topics/trends in counseling courses and during practicum and internship supervision sessions/classes (e.g., changes in state legislation affecting school counselors and school-based therapists), and faculty will create a course-pathway for current students and professional school counselors to take additional required courses for LCMHC licensure due to NC licensing changes beginning July 1, 2025. In addition, continued recruitment efforts will be made for the school counseling specialty track due to decrease in applicants and school counselors in the region, and the program will continue a feasibility study for creating a counseling program clinic.

knowledge and skill in Career Development	Supervisor evaluations	Faculty & Site supervisors

Western Carolina University collects demographic data for per admission terms. The Counseling program admits students
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(Program Data)

Asian	Female: 0 Male: 0	Female: 0 Male: 0	Female: 0 Male: 0
Black or African American	Female: 1 Male: 0	Female:	