

# Counseling Program (M.S.Ed.)

Youngstown State University  
Department of Psychological Sciences and Counseling  
Beeghly College of Liberal Arts, Social Science & Education



## Annual Report 2024-2025

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**YSU Counseling Program**  
**Department of Psychological Sciences & Counseling**  
**2024-2025 Annual Report**  
**Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Summer 2024**

The Counseling Program is located in the Department of Psychological Sciences and Counseling in the Beeghly College of Liberal Arts, Social Sciences and Education (BCLASSE). The Counseling Program has four CACREP-accredited program tracks to prepare students for careers as professional clinical mental health counselors, school counselors, addiction counselors, college counselors and student affairs professionals.

**Mission:**

The Counseling Program equips students with knowledge and skills in specialized areas of counseling. Through innovative teaching, clinical supervision, a year-long community field experience, and meeting CACREP-accreditation standards, we develop graduates to serve as counselors and related professionals in addiction counseling, clinical mental health counseling, school counseling, college counseling, and student affairs settings.

**Vision:**

Through teaching, scholarship, and service, the Counseling Program faculty envisions becoming a nationally renowned leader in the development of highly skilled counselors and related professionals who meet the needs of communities in Northeast Ohio and Western Pennsylvania. We aspire to cultivate graduates who provide evidence-based interventions to help individuals achieve their fullest potential.

**Academic Focus:**

Practical experiential activities are required of students to demonstrate skills from each course, and the graduate program culminates with a year-long 700-hour practicum/internship in the community. The Counseling Program remains committed to its stated mission through ongoing accreditation by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). The Counseling Program has full approval by the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapists Board, the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board, and the Ohio Department of Education. The Counseling Program engages in ongoing program development based on the developments and recommendations of accrediting bodies and licensure boards.

**Student Centered:**

The Counseling faculty provides a learning climate that is open, accepting, intellectually honest, and professionally challenging for students. Program faculty directly advise and mentor students to enhance students' learning experiences, to serve the community, the counseling profession, and consumers of counseling services. The Counseling Program operates a Community Counseling Clinic, where students are required to provide a semester of counseling to a diverse range of individuals in the community. The YSU Counseling Program maintains a chapter of the International Honor Society for Counselors (Chi Sigma Iota), and another student organization (SALSA), the Student Affairs Leadership Support Association, which provides additional opportunities for student engagement, professional development, community service, leadership, and recognition. Six Counseling Program scholarships are available for students, as well as several Graduate Assistantships. Counseling faculty consistently receive strong teaching evaluations (and other awards recognizing teaching excellence). Current students/alumni often refer friends and family to the Counseling Program because of their positive experience.

### **Regional / State / National Needs:**

There is a strong market demand for counselors as evidenced by an approximately 100% hiring rate of our Counseling Program graduates by community mental health centers, addiction counseling agencies, private practices, schools, and colleges who are actively seeking positions. Within the tri-state area, YSU is the only Counseling Program that offers four CACREP-accredited program tracks (i.e., Addiction Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, School Counseling, College Counseling & Student Affairs). Remarkably, many of our Counseling Program interns are hired by their agency before they graduate. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), there remains a strong demand for licensed professional clinical counselors, licensed school counselors, licensed/certified chemical dependency counselors, student affairs professionals, and workers in community and social service organizations. The Counseling field is expected to grow “much faster than average” for all occupations.

### **Community Impact:**

2249 master's students have graduated (as of Summer 2025) from the Counseling Program since its inception in 1968. The Counseling Program maintains strong partnerships in high-need urban and rural areas for field-based training, resulting in strong connections with alumni, program supervisors, agencies, schools, and community leaders. The Counseling Program has a history of strong service to our community through the field placements of our interns, services delivered by our Community Counseling Clinic, and several contracts for Graduate Assistants working in local school districts and colleges. Each year, Counseling Program interns provide in sum an excess of 20,000 hours of counseling, advising, programming, and other duties to the community. Faculty also engage with the community through their collaborative participation in grants, research, program evaluation, and service on advisory boards for community agencies. Additionally, our student organizations provide several hours of community service.

### **Highlights:**

The Counseling Program faculty has consistently high research productivity, strong teaching evaluations, and service involvement on campus, in the community, and within the profession (e.g., faculty and alumni have served as officers of national and state Counseling organizations). The Counseling Program was a recent recipient of the Outstanding Counselor Education Program Award from the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). Alumni serve as practitioners, supervisors, and administrators in counseling agencies, schools, and universities in Northeast Ohio, Western Pennsylvania, and across the nation. Most graduates pursue employment in the field of counseling and student affairs; however, some choose to use their Counseling degree in other areas (e.g., the current Mayor of the City of Youngstown, Jamael Tito Brown, is a program graduate). The Counseling Program has been a program of distinction at YSU, thanks to the productivity of its faculty and the success of its alumni.

### **Summary:**

The Counseling Program at Youngstown State University offers the highest academic quality at a low cost, supported by strong financial aid options. With a proven track record of job obtainment, community-engaged internships, and applied learning opportunities, our students graduate fully prepared for meaningful careers in Counseling. Set on a safe and beautiful campus, YSU offers the ideal environment for personal and professional growth.

## Counseling Program Descriptive Information

### **Counseling Program Leadership for 2024-2025:**

- Graduate Program Director – Dr. Jake Protivnak
- Program Coordinators
  - Addiction / Clinical Mental Health Counseling – Dr. Victoria Kress
  - College Counseling & Student Affairs – Dr. Maddie Stevens
  - School Counseling – Dr. Jake Protivnak
- CACREP Coordinator – Dr. Victoria Kress
- Community Counseling Clinic Director – Dr. Victoria Kress
- Assessment Coordinator – Dr. Maddie Stevens
- Comprehensive Exam (CPCE) Coordinator – Dr. Jen Yensel
- Minor in Counseling, undergraduate – Dr. Jake Protivnak
- Student Organization Faculty Advisors:
  - Chi Sigma Iota, Eta Chapter – Dr. Jake Protivnak
  - SALSA – Dr. Maddie Stevens

### **Counseling Faculty Teaching in 2024-2025:**

- Christine Andujar
- Dr. Kristin Bruns
- Angie Cameron
- Dr. Justin Edwards
- Meghan Fawcett
- Rick Fawcett
- Hillary Furhman
- Jessica Gaskel
- Katie Gastaldo
- Daniela Ghizzoni
- Carmella Hill
- Joshua Hill
- Jim Hyland
- Alison Kaufman
- Dr. Victoria Kress
- Anne Lally
- Danielle Matos
- Alexis McAndrews
- Jessica McRoberts
- Dr. Kenneth Miller
- Dr. Jake Protivnak
- Dr. Maddie Stevens
- Sonya Thompkins
- Melinda Toth
- Dominic Venetti
- Diana Wolf
- Dr. Jen Yensel
- Kelly Younkins

### **New Faculty/Staff Hired in 2024-2025:**

- Tiffany Spisak, Part-Time Counseling Faculty (doctoral intern), effective Fall 2024
- Jessica Gaskel, Part-Time Counseling Faculty, effective Spring 2025
- Katie Gastaldo, Part-Time Counseling Faculty, effective Spring 2025
- Melinda Toth, Part-Time Counseling Faculty, effective Spring 2025

### **Departures of Faculty/Staff in 2024-2025:**

- (None)

### **Doctoral Intern (hired as PT Faculty) in 2024-2025:**

- Tiffany Spisak, Counselor Education Doctoral Student at Indiana University of Pennsylvania

### **Counseling Program Facilities:**

- Program Office (4<sup>th</sup> Floor Beeghly Hall)
- Faculty Offices & Classrooms (4<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Beeghly Hall)
- Community Counseling Clinic (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Beeghly Hall)

### **Counseling Program Online Information:**

- Counseling Program Website – [www.ysu.edu/COUN](http://www.ysu.edu/COUN)
- YSU Graduate Catalog – Counseling Master’s Degree  
<https://catalog.ysu.edu/graduate/graduate-programs/master-science-education-counseling/>
- YSU Graduate Catalog – Post-Master’s in Counseling: Certificate for Counseling Practice  
<https://catalog.ysu.edu/graduate/graduate-programs/certcounseling/>
- YSU Undergraduate Catalog – Minor in Counseling  
<https://catalog.ysu.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/college-liberal-arts-social-sciences-education/department-psychology/minor-in-counseling/>
- Eta Chapter, Chi Sigma Iota website - <https://www.csi-net.org/group/eta>

### **Counseling Program Social Media:**

- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/ysucoun>
- Twitter/X - [https://twitter.com/ysu\\_coun](https://twitter.com/ysu_coun)
- Instagram - [https://www.instagram.com/ysu\\_coun/](https://www.instagram.com/ysu_coun/)
- LinkedIn - <https://www.linkedin.com/company/youngstown-state-university-counseling-program/>
- YouTube - [https://www.youtube.com/@ysu\\_coun](https://www.youtube.com/@ysu_coun)

### **Counseling Program Assessment/Outcomes:**

- Assessment Report - <https://explore.ysu.edu/beeghly-college-of-liberal-arts-social-sciences-education-counseling-msed/>
- Student Outcomes - <https://explore.ysu.edu/beeghly-college-of-liberal-arts-social-sciences-education-counseling-msed/>

### **Counseling Program Documents / Data:**

- Physical files – 4<sup>th</sup> floor storage room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor storage closets
- Digital files – YSU Teams/One Drive (CACREP; Counseling Program, etc.)

### **Counseling Program Modifications or Substantial Changes in 2024-2025:**

- Launched the undergraduate *Minor in Counseling* in Fall 2024.  
<https://catalog.ysu.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/college-liberal-arts-social-sciences-education/department-psychology/minor-in-counseling/>
- Launched the graduate *Post-Masters in Counseling: Certificate for Counseling Practice* in Fall 2024. <https://catalog.ysu.edu/graduate/graduate-programs/certcounseling/>
- Begin process of making curricular changes to align with the CACREP 2024 Standards (e.g., updated Course syllabi)

### **Faculty Productivity in 2024-2025:**

Review faculty pages, which include a list of awards, intellectual contributions, professional service, and public service.

- Dr. Victoria Kress - <https://ysu.edu/people/victoria-kress>

- Dr. Kenneth Miller - <https://ysu.edu/people/kenneth-miller>
- Dr. Jake Protivnak - <https://ysu.edu/people/jake-protivnak>
- Dr. Maddie Stevens - <https://ysu.edu/people/madeleine-stevens>
- Dr. Jen Yensel - <https://ysu.edu/people/jennifer-yensel>

### **Community / Campus Involvement: (examples)**

- The **Counseling Program** and Eta Chapter CSI hosted a panel of YSU Counseling Program Alumni who discussed and answered questions regarding their experiences in the counseling profession in February 2025.
  - **Jessica Oates**, Founder/Owner and Clinical Counselor at Insight
  - **Fran Clause**, Counselor at HWS Best Health Counseling
  - **Olivia Fustos**, Counselor at Greentree Counseling Center
  - **Kristin Wolf**, Founder/Owner and Counselor at Equinox Sex & Relationship Counseling
  - **Dominic Venetti**, Director of Family Preservation and Counselor at Cadence Care
  - **Chad Conard**, Clinical Director and counselor at Counseling Center of Columbiana
- **Community Advisory Board Members** from Addiction Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, School Counseling, and College Counseling & Student Affairs areas met in Beeghly Hall to connect with each other in April 2025. The faculty met in small groups with advisory board members by program area to learn how we can continue to adapt our Counseling Program to produce highly knowledgeable and skilled graduates to meet the needs of area agencies, schools, and institutions.
- **Counseling Program** had a table at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Mental Health & Wellness Expo in May 2025 and at YSU Wellfest in October 2024.
- Counseling Program students, **Jimmy Jones, Aastha Singh, Cody Smith, Katarina Rodrigues, Karah Taylor, Ariana Jones, Gabby Sammarone, and Elijah Burch**, participated in the campus-wide Suicide Prevention Screening on Thursday, April 16, 2025 in Kilcawley Center hosted by Youngstown State University Student Counseling Services. The screening helped attendees identify signs of distress and connect them with mental health resources. Additionally, attendees received food, a t-shirt, and a wristband. Thank you to **Dr. Francine Packard**, Director of YSU Student Counseling Services, for coordinating the event for the campus community, and to the Counseling Program students who volunteered their time!
- **Dr. Victoria Kress** presented to the YSU Board of Trustees this week about her upcoming term as ACA President, study abroad opportunities, and the work by our Counseling Program to serve our community.
- **Dr. Jake Protivnak and Dr. Maddie Stevens**, Counseling Faculty, participated in a panel of professionals who talked about the importance of Wellness on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2025, in the Hub at Youngstown State University's Kilcawley Center. **Jordan Record**, YSU College Counseling and Student Affairs Counseling Program Intern / GA in First Year Student Services, moderated the panel.
- **Dr. Maddie Stevens** delivered a Department Colloquium talk on April 24, 2025 on the topic of 'Harnessing the Power of Groupwork in College: A Conversation about Groups and Student Development'
- **Dr. Jake Protivnak & Kieron Grubbs**, School Counseling & Clinical Mental Health Counseling program student delivered a YSU campus presentation on raising awareness of men's health during the month of November 2024 for Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

## Student Honors & Awards - Examples

### Student Recognition:

Counseling students and faculty were recognized at the Annual Student Awards banquet sponsored by the Division of Student Affairs, Student Activities, and Student Government Association (SGA) on Thursday, April 24, 2025, in Kilcawley Center.

**Faith Marscio** (School Counseling) received the Rebecca Banks Spirit Award; **William Horn** (Clinical Mental Health Counseling & School Counseling) & **Gabby Sammarone** (Clinical Mental Health Counseling) received the Presidential Mentor Award. **Jessica Gaskell** (COUN 1587 instructor) received the Student Service Award; **Dr. Alison Kaufman** (COUN 7046 instructor) received the Student Service Award & The Erin Driscoll Empowerment Award, and **Dr. Jake Protivnak** received the Dr. Charles A. McBriarty Award. Additionally, College Counseling and Student Affairs program alumni/students served as presenters (e.g., **Sophie Hecht**, **Erin Urbaniak**, **Carmel Cerimele**). A complete listing of the Annual Student Awards Program is listed at <http://www.ysu.edu/student-activities/2025-student-awards>.

**Janette Koewacich**, Department Academic Specialist 2, received the BCLASSE Outstanding Staff Member Award, and **Gabby Sammarone**, Clinical Mental Health Counseling Intern, received the Outstanding Student Worker Award at the YSU Beeghly College of Liberal Arts, Social Sciences, and Education Honors Convocation on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**Gabby Sammarone**, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, & **William Horn**, Clinical Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling student, were selected as 2024-2025 Presidential Mentors. The Presidential Mentors are a diverse group of highly successful students who will provide direct counsel and mentorship to President Johnson and University leaders. As a group, the Presidential Mentors represent a broad cross-section of YSU students with great potential for improving the YSU experience.

### Great Minds Fellowship Scholarship:

80 Youngstown State University Counseling Program students who, as a group, received \$800,000 in scholarships through the Great Minds Fellowship disbursement period from Fall 2023 to Spring 2025. **Adams, Dana**; **Allen, Hanna**; **Allender, Jenna**; **Augustine, Allie**; **Avery, Angelica**; **Baxter, Amber**; **Black, Jasmine**; **Bongivengo, Cory**; **Boyle, Andrea**; **Carson, Julia**; **Carter, Madisyn**; **Chapman, Gabrielle**; **Chasser, Danielle**; **Clinksdale, Kenyotta**; **Cochran, Shae Coleman, Jessie**; **Cosola, Jeff**; **Coulter, Curtis**; **Costarella, Sam**; **D'Alesio, Nicholas**; **Deemer, Lisa**; **Denny, Lexy**; **Dowell, Nikolas**; **Downes, Rick**; **Ellis, Siera**; **Frano, Christian**; **Gearheart, Lesa**; **Gerner, Donald**; **Getsy, Julia**; **Gillespie, Joel**; **Grubbs, Kieron**; **Hakeem, Shayla**; **Hammann, Ara-Leah**; **Hawthorne, Shaylyn**; **Hoppel, Chandler**; **Johnson, Jessica**; **Jones, James**; **Knauf, Justine**; **Kriech, Alexandria**; **Kuhlman, Denise**; **Lawson, Brian**; **Lewis, Nyasia**; **Lindeman, Dustin**; **Martin, Morgan**; **Meloni, Tori**; **McDonough, Laura**; **Mitchell, Thomas**; **Mook, Emily**; **Muhammad, Hasim**; **Nouza, Camryn**; **Patterson, Taryn**; **Powell, Kiah**; **Ramhoff, Ashley**; **Rapone, Lauryn**; **Ritch, Nathan**; **Richardson, Cali**; **Rothwell, Amber**; **Rubin, Jake**; **Sammarone, Gabby**; **Sarjeant, Jordan**; **Scott, Aline**; **Sharper, Cassidy**; **Shaw, Fran**; **Sloan, Madison**; **Smith, Cody**; **Smith, Donivan**; **Smith, Rachael**; **Stran, Emily**; **Taylor, Karah**; **Thomas, A'Sha**; **Thistlewaite, Sherry**; **Trump, Chelby**; **Wagner, Ashley**; **Waldron, Adrian**; **Ward, Allison**; **Warren, Jacqueline**; **Westhead, Ray**; **Wilkerison, Dylan**; **Wittman, David**; and **Young, Jay**. The Great Minds Fellowship Workforce Commitment Incentive Program (led by the Ohio Department of Higher Education) is part of a multi-pronged approach designed to recruit and

retain behavioral health professionals to ensure all Ohioans have affordable and accessible behavioral healthcare options. It supports Counseling students pursuing their career path while supporting communities across Ohio to have more Counselors who can care for those living with mental health and substance abuse disorders. Each Great Minds Fellow is a resident of Ohio, completes an internship at an approved community behavioral health agency, and has committed to continue working at an approved community behavioral health agency in Ohio for at least one year after graduation.

#### **Penguin Pioneer Scholarship:**

12 Youngstown State University Counseling Program students who, as a group, received \$159,311.36 in scholarships distributed through the Penguin Pioneer program from Fall 2024 to Spring 2025. The following students received a scholarship, up to 30 hours of gambling addiction prevention/treatment strategies training, and up to 16 life coaching sessions for academic and career success.

**Benchwick, Carissa; Cappitte, Julia; Dattilo, Michael; El-Amin, Tiaunnah; Hammond, Zack; Hollis, Samantha; Horn, William; Jones, Ariana; Kieffer, Sierra; Klacik, Kayla; Rojas, Jessica; and Trickett, Melisa.** Like the Great Minds Fellowship, this Ohio Behavioral Health Workforce Expansion grant supported Counseling students pursuing their career path and benefits communities across Ohio to have more Counselors who can care for those with mental health and substance abuse disorders. Each Penguin Pioneer scholarship recipient is a resident of Ohio, completes an internship at an approved community behavioral health agency, and has committed to continue working at an approved community behavioral health agency in Ohio for at least one year after graduation. The Penguin Pioneer scholarship selection and awarding period has concluded. A special thanks to **Dr. Francine Packard**, Director of YSU Student Counseling Services, who served as the PI for the Penguin Pioneer grant.

#### **2025 Counseling Program Scholarships:**

Congrats to the following students who received the 2025 Counseling Program Youngstown State University scholarships!

- **Caylee Duskey** - Catherine Wrynn and Kenneth P. Baker Graduate Scholarship
- **Samantha Hollis** - Charles H. Whitman Student Services Graduate Scholarship
- **Emily Mook & Chelbey Trump** - Dr. Lawrence DiRusso Scholarship in Counseling
- **Sherry Thistlewaite** - Dr. Robert A. DiGiulio Scholarship
- **Cory Bongivengo** - Harvey Neal Kretzer Memorial Scholarship

A combined \$18,435.44 in scholarship dollars will be awarded to the six Counseling Program scholarship awardees. They will be recognized at the 2025 Beeghly College of Liberal Arts, Social Sciences, & Education (BCLASSE) Honors Convocation on Tuesday, April 29th at 5:30 p.m. in the Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room. Thank you to the generous donors to the YSU Counseling Program who made this possible. If you want to donate to or start a scholarship for Counseling students, contact the Youngstown State University Foundation at <https://ysufoundation.org/>.

#### **Eta Chapter, Chi Sigma Iota:**

Counseling Program graduate students were inducted into Eta Chapter, Chi Sigma Iota, on Friday, April 4th at the 40th Annual CSI Induction Ceremony in McKay Auditorium in Beeghly Hall. **Dr. Cynthia Osborn**, Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor with Supervisor Designation and Professor of Counselor Education and Supervision at Kent State University, was the guest speaker.

38 graduate Counseling Program students inducted into the International Honor Society for Counselors: **Dana Adams; Hanna Allen; Angelica Banks; Andrea Boyle; Julia Cappitte;**

**Madisyn Carter; Kenyotta Clinkscale; Samantha Costarella; Michelle Das; Lisa Deemer; Nikolas Dowell; Caylee Duskey; Sierra Ellis; Christian Frano; Lesa Gearheart; Kieron Grubbs; Catherine Haglan; Emma Haywood; Zac Hawkins; Chandler Hoppel; Jessica Johnson; Ariana Jones; Mone Knowles; Nicole McCurry; Maggie McKernan; Thomas Mitchell; Brooke Mowery; Cali Richardson; Jessica Rojas; Cassidy Sharper; Frances Shaw; Donivan Smith; Brianna Stackpole; Sherry Thistlewaite; Chelbey Trump; Allison Ward; Ray Westhead; and Sydney Whipkey.** Congrats to the following 2025 awardees of the Eta Chapter Chi Sigma Iota (CSI) Counseling Program Awards. **Stacy Armstrong**, a School Counselor at Taft Elementary in Youngstown City School District, received the Eta Chapter CSI Outstanding Practitioner Award. Stacy is a 2011 graduate of the School Counseling Program and a School Counseling internship site supervisor. **William Clark**, a Clinical Mental Health Counseling graduate student, received the Eta Chapter CSI Outstanding Master's Student Award.

**Eta Chapter, CSI Officers for 2024-2025:**

President – William Horn  
Vice-President – Kara Taylor  
Treasurer – Gabby Sammarone  
Secretary – Danielle Chasser

**Eta Chapter, CSI Officers for 2025-2026:**

President – Samantha Cosarella  
Vice-President – Kieron Grubbs  
Treasurer – Michelle Das  
Secretary – Sierra Ellis

**Eta Chapter, CSI Endowment Established:**

Eta Chapter, Chi Sigma Iota (CSI) has established the 'Eta Chapter Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Academic and Professional Honor Society Endowment' through the Youngstown State University Foundation, in recognition of the 40th Anniversary of Eta Chapter of CSI, which was chartered at YSU on September 9, 1985. The 2024-25 Eta Chapter CSI Officers (**William Horn, Karah Taylor, Gabby Sammarone, and Danielle Chasser**) and Chapter Faculty Advisor, **Dr. Jake Protivnak**, approved and facilitated the endowment creation. Beginning in Fall 2026, this will provide annual funding for Eta Chapter CSI activities, allowing alumni and community members to donate directly to support the counseling student organization's initiatives. Individuals interested in making tax-deductible contributions to grow the Eta Chapter Chi Sigma Iota endowment can contact **Andrew Zajec**, Senior Development Officer at YSU Foundation, at [azajec@ysufoundation.org](mailto:azajec@ysufoundation.org), 330-941-4224, or donate directly through the YSU Foundation website (<https://ysufoundation.org/give-now/>) by designating "Eta Chapter Chi Sigma Iota Endowment."

**Student Affairs Leadership Support Association (SALSA):**

A student organization with a focus on issues and events applicable to graduate students within the College Counseling and Student Affairs counseling program track.

**SALSA Officers for 2024-2025:**

- President – Erin Urbaniak
- Vice President: Joel Straley
- Treasurer: Jordan Record
- Secretary: Oliver Roose

## Counseling Program Graduates in 2024-2025

**Fall 2024** - 19 Counseling Programs students received their master's degrees.

- Curtis Coulter
- Lauren Batcho
- Ron Haines Jr.
- Ara-Leah Hammann
- Shaylyn Hawthorne
- Alexandria Kriech
- Brian Lawson
- Morgan Martin
- Laura McDonough
- Tori Meloni
- Macy Metzger
- Hasim Muhammad
- Jordan Sarjeant
- Aline Scott
- Ashley Wagner
- Jacqueline Warren
- Shelby Wellington
- Dylan Wilkerson

**Spring 2025** - 12 Counseling Programs students received their master's degrees.

- Elijah Burch
- Carmel Cerimele
- William Horn
- Charlie Hudson
- Camryn Nouza
- Ashley Ramhoff
- Jordan Record
- Madison Sloan
- Erin Urbaniak
- Adrian Waldron
- Jay Young

**Summer 2025** - 16 Counseling Programs students received their master's degrees.

- Danielle Chasser
- Olivia Ciminero
- Jeff Cosola
- Joel Gillespie
- Zac Hawkins
- Emma Haywood
- Nyasia Lewis
- Faith Marscio
- Heaven Miller
- Katarina Rodrigues

- Amber Rothwell
- Gabby Sammarone
- Kristin Shelley
- Aastha Singh
- Cody Smith
- Karah Taylor

**Summer 2025** - 1 Counseling Programs student received their post-master's certificate.

- Megan Miller

## Community Partnerships in 2024-2025 (examples)

### **Addiction Counseling & Clinical Mental Health Counseling (field placement sites)**

- Akron Children's Hospital
- Alta Behavioral Healthcare Group
- Applewood
- Cadence Care Network
- Child Guidance and Family Solutions
- Churchill Counseling
- Columbia Counseling Center
- Compass Family and Community Services
- Greentree Counseling Center
- I Am Boundless
- Insight Clinical Counseling and Wellness
- Leading Lantern
- Meridian
- Natura
- NYAP
- Preferred Care
- PsyCare
- Renewing Hope
- Wellness Grove
- Youngstown State University – Student Counseling Services

### **College Counseling & Student Affairs (field placement site)**

- Youngstown State University

### **School Counseling (field placement sites)**

- Fitch High School
- Liberty High School
- Salem High School
- Sharpsville Elementary School
- Youngstown City School District