

Application for
Admission to
the Master of Science
Graduate Program
in
**Rehabilitation Counselor
Education**

The University of Tennessee
College of Education, Health, and Human Sciences
Rehabilitation Counselor Education Program
A207 Claxton Complex
Knoxville, TN 37996-3452
Phone: (865) 974-8145 or (865) 974-8090 (voice/tty)
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Please note the due dates of all completed applications for the
Rehabilitation Counselor Education Master's Degree Program:

Semester you hope to begin studies	Application due date
Fall	March 15
Spring	November 1
Summer	February 15



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❶ YOU MUST APPLY AND BE ADMITTED TO THE GRADUATE SCHOOL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE BEFORE YOU CAN BE CONSIDERED FOR ADMISSION TO THE REHABILITATION COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAM. Call, access or write the Graduate School at:

<http://web.utk.edu/~gsinfo>
218 Student Services Building
The University of Tennessee
Knoxville, TN 37996
(865) 974-3251

Complete applications to the Graduate School include the following: (1) completed application; (2) three or more Graduate Rating Forms; (4) two official transcripts from each college or university attended; (4) \$35 application fee and (5) GRE scores. The application and Rating Forms can be found in the current Graduate School Catalog. Please note that it takes approximately six weeks from test date for GRE scores to be reported to The University of Tennessee Graduate School.

In addition:

❷ YOU MUST APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY AND COUNSELING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE BEFORE YOU CAN BE CONSIDERED FOR ADMISSION TO THE REHABILITATION COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAM. CONTACT JULIE HARDEN AT THE NUMBER BELOW FOR AN APPLICATION.

❸ To be considered for admission to the Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Counselor Education, the information requested in Part II of this document must be completed typed or printed clearly – illegible applications will be returned.

Please complete and return this application to the following office by the date listed on the front page of this application:

College of Education Health, and Human Sciences Graduate Admissions
Department of Educational Psychology & Counseling
Attn: Julie Harden
A332 Claxton Complex
The University of Tennessee
Knoxville, TN 37996-3452
(865) 974-1319

The University of Tennessee Rehabilitation Counselor Education Program is accredited by the Council on Rehabilitation Education, Inc.

Please indicate residency based on this information: The residence of a student, whether a minor or an adult, is presumed to be the same as the student's parents at the time of application to The University of Tennessee, unless the student has independently established a residence of his/her own for at least one year prior to applying for enrollment or re-enrollment before he/she can be classified as in-state for the purpose of paying University fees and tuition.

- **Residency** (check one): In-state Out-of-state
- **Are you interested in the optional deafness-focus area?** Yes No
- **Are you interested in being considered for one of the Rehabilitation Services Administration's work-or-repay scholarships:** Yes No
- **When do you plan to enroll?** Term: _____ Year: _____
- **Will you enroll full-time or part-time?** (check one): Full-time Part-Time

PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Please print clearly

Date: _____

Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Date of Birth (optional): _____

Race/Ethnicity (optional): _____

Undergraduate GPA: _____ Graduate GPA (if applicable): _____

Local/Current Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Local Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

Work Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

Email Address: _____ @ _____

PART II

Please submit a detailed typed statement covering the following. Please be as specific and succinct as possible in your answers.

1. Name, address, telephone number(s), email address
2. List previous courses in psychology, sociology, rehabilitation counseling, human services, and related areas.
3. List and submit copies of theses, dissertations, special projects, and publications.
4. List honors, awards, or other academic or professional recognition.
5. List work or volunteer experience, if any, which is related to rehabilitation.
6. List organizational memberships, present and past. Include dates of membership.
7. Submit evidence of achievement in rehabilitation or related fields or other evidence of ability to work successfully with people.
8. Briefly discuss each of the following:
 - a. What led you to decide you wanted to study/work in this area?
 - b. When did you decide?
 - c. Comment on contacts made with people presently employed as rehabilitation counselors. Please give names and, if known, addresses. (*Lists of counselors to contact are available from present students and the Program Coordinator*).
 - d. Based on these contacts, what are your feelings about being identified as a professional working in the field of rehabilitation?
 - e. In what ways have you made certain you understand what basic skills and duties are necessary for success as a rehabilitation counselor?
 - f. How do you plan to utilize this training in future rehabilitation work?
 - g. Why do you particularly want to work with people who have disabilities?

RSA SCHOLARSHIPS

There are a **limited** number of full-tuition scholarships available from the Rehabilitation Services Administration for students to train as rehabilitation counselors. The scholarships provide payment of tuition and a small monthly living allowance (As of September, 2002, the monthly stipend was \$325.00). *Students who are offered and accept the scholarship must work for a non-profit rehabilitation organization or any rehabilitation-related organization that receives state or federal monies to provide services for two (2) years for each year they receive the scholarship.* Due to the small number available, scholarships will be awarded on an academically competitive basis and will be awarded to the first seven students who are admitted to the RCE Program each year who demonstrate an exceptional academic and professional history. Scholarship offers will be made after the interview in a letter offering admission to the RCE Program.

IF YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO START OR COMPLETE THE RCE PROGRAM WITHOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP: You must tell the head of the admissions committee before your interview is scheduled.

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and the Rehabilitation Counselor Education Program does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, religion, national origin, age, handicap or veteran status in provision of educational opportunities or employment opportunities and benefits. UT-Knoxville does not discriminate on the basis of sex or handicap in its educational programs and activities, pursuant to requirements of Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Public Law 92-318, Section 504 and 1998 Amendments of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Public Law 93-112, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Public Law 101-336, respectively.

This policy extends to both employment and admission to the University.

Inquiries or charges concerning Title IX, Section 504, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 should be directed to:
Office of Affirmative Action
403-C Andy Holt Tower
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Knoxville, TN 37996-0144
(865) 974-2498