

Application Instructions for Auburn University Counseling Psychology (PhD) Program

Application Deadline

- **December 1 at 10:59pm CST.**
- All application material must be received by the deadline.
- Fall admission only.

Application Instructions

1. Complete the Graduate School Application

Select "EDUCATION/ COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY/ PhD" as the program choice.

2. Reference Forms

On the Graduate School application, when prompted, submit the names and contact information for 3 references. For the Format option, you must select "To be submitted electronically by the recommender." Auburn University will then reach out to your references to complete a Reference Form.

3. Statement of Interest

On the Graduate School application (in the Special Education, Rehabilitation, and Counseling section) upload your Statement of Interest using this prompt: *Describe how pursuit of a PhD in Counseling Psychology at Auburn University aligns with your academic and professional goals. Related, include information about specific faculty member(s) by whom you would like to be mentored. In addition, write about your previous experiences (for example, counseling or helping roles, research, volunteer work, prior education and training) that demonstrate your qualifications for the doctoral program.*

4. Competency Statement

On the Graduate School application (in the Special Education, Rehabilitation, and Counseling section) upload your Competency Statement using this prompt: *Consistent with the American Psychological Association Commission on Accreditation (APA CoA) Standards of Accreditation (Doctoral Standards I.B.2 and II.B.1.b, Implementing Regulations C-8 D and C-9 D), our counseling psychology doctoral program requires students to gain competency in the areas of "Individual*

and Cultural Diversity" and "Social Justice." Please address your interest in and preparation for (e.g., prior professional, educational, research, clinical, and/or personal experiences) training within a program that emphasizes diversity and social justice competency development. Also include detail about ways in which you can further develop these competencies through doctoral training.

5. Résumé/CV

On the Graduate School application (in the Special Education, Rehabilitation, and Counseling section) upload your resume/CV, which should include the following elements in a form/format of your choosing: 1) *Education*, 2) *Related Professional Experience (volunteer, practicum/internship, and/or employment)*, 3) *Research Experience (publications, presentations, and/or other research involvement)*, 4) *Professional Certifications and/or Licenses (if any)*, 5) *Membership in Professional Organizations*, and 6) *Honors, Awards, or Recognitions*.

6. Transcripts

On the Graduate School application, when prompted, upload all "Unofficial" transcripts to your application. "Official" transcripts are not required UNLESS you are admitted into our program.

7. GRE Scores

Although optional for program admission, GRE scores may be used to determine fellowships, scholarships, etc. If an applicant chooses to provide GRE scores for admission consideration, scores must be sent directly from the GRE testing center to the Auburn University Graduate School using AU Code #1005.

8. TOEFL Report (for International students only)

Scores must meet Auburn University's minimum requirement. Please visit our [Graduate School](#) for more information.

Check the Status of Your Application

- Log into your [Application Account](#) or check the [Graduate School FAQ](#)
- You are responsible for checking your application and ensuring all material is received by December 1.
- Questions for the Graduate School? Call 334-844-4700.
- Questions for the Department? Call 334-844-2876.