



Counseling Services to the Deaf

PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS IN HUMAN SERVICES

Careers with a Counseling Services to the Deaf Degree:

- Bereavement Counselors
- Crisis Counselors
- Employment Counselors
- Human Services Case Managers
- Job Coaches
- K-12 Interpreters
- Para/Professional/Educational Interpreters
- Post-Secondary Interpreters
- Referral Agency Interpreters
- Rehabilitation Counselors
- Religious/Ministerial Specialists
- Technology Center Interpreters
- Vocational Rehabilitation Specialists
- Youth Guidance Specialists
- ...and so much more!



The Department of Professional Programs in Human Services offers educational programs that share the common goal of preparing students to work with people in a variety of human services agencies and organizations. The human services field is one of the most rapidly expanding career fields in America today. The department of Professional Programs in Human Services focuses on those careers which require professional preparation and training for service to individuals, families, groups and the community. Degree programs include Counseling, Criminal Justice and Social Work. In addition to a general career field, the Counseling student may select a concentration in Rehabilitation, Aging Services, or Services to the Deaf.

> Services to the Deaf

ECU is the only university in the state of Oklahoma to offer a concentration in Counseling Services to the Deaf and one of only three nationally. The Services to the Deaf program was established to prepare students, both hearing and deaf, to work with individuals within the Deaf community. Students have numerous opportunities to gain knowledge of and exposure to Deaf culture through various activities such as the ECU Silent Friends Club, Deaf Awareness Day and volunteering at the Oklahoma School for the Deaf.



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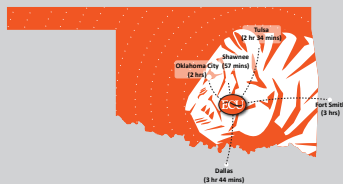
Graduates with a Counseling Service to the Deaf degree typically earn between \$30,000 and \$42,000 for entry-level jobs. As a college graduate, you can earn an average of 75% more than those with only a high school degree, per *The Chicago Tribune!*

(NACE 2021 Salary Report)

> Scholarships Available

The Professional Program of Human Services makes scholarships available to qualified students through the following programs:

- Susan Stunkard Scholarship-National Testing - offered through OKRID
- Donna Hayes Scholarship-State & National Testing - offered through OKRID
- Rehabilitation Services Administration Scholarship
- Lowell E Green Human Resources Scholarship
- Richard E. Baumgartner Memorial Scholarship in Human Resources
- Higgenbotham Family Scholarship



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> Program Information

HSC in Services to the Deaf

The objective of the Services to the Deaf concentration is to prepare students to work with deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals. The academic program is structured to provide students with the specialized knowledge and sign language skills that will enable them to provide services in a broad spectrum of private, state, federal and community agencies.



Available Courses

Students are required to complete a total of 124 credit hours within the Counseling Services to the Deaf Program. Classes will include:

> INTRODUCTION TO DEAFNESS

Encompasses the historical study of deaf individuals by addressing educational, legal, political and philosophical forces which shaped the culture.

> PSYCHOLOGICAL-SOCIAL ASPECTS OF DEAFNESS

Considers the effects of prelingual and postlingual hearing loss on the psychological, social and linguistic development of deaf individuals. In addition, principles of counseling with deaf individuals are introduced.

> INTRODUCTION TO AUDIOLOGY

A study of the anatomy of the ear, audiological testing, corrective procedures and impact on service provision.

> AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I

Satisfy both a Foreign Language requirement and learn to communicate with deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals and develop basic American Sign Language vocabulary and grammatical understanding.

> AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II

Develop extended expressive/receptive communication skills.

> AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE III

Broaden grammatical understanding which includes non-verbal communication.

> AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE IV

Greater emphasis on ASL grammar, expressive/receptive skills and artistic interpreting.



Counseling Services to the Deaf

Dean: Dr. Kate Lang,
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Assistant Dean: Dr. Melissa Inglis
Coordinator: Lisa Sheffield, MSHR, QA V
Degree: Bachelor of Arts

Minors: 2

Faculty: 7 full-time

Organizations: 2

Scholarships: 4

Location: 221A Horace Mann



ECU at a Glance

Undergraduate Enrollment: 3,000

Undergraduate Majors: 70+

Student to Faculty Ratio: 13 to 1

Average Class Size: 22

Faculty with PhDs: 65%

States Represented: 28

Countries Represented: 30+

Year Founded: 1909

Campus Size: 140 Acres

Area Location: Ada, Oklahoma



Tiger Spirit

Mascot: Roary the Tiger

School Colors: Orange & Black

Student Organizations: 60+

Athletics: NCAA Division II

Men's:	Football	Cross Country
	Baseball	Track & Field
	Basketball	

Women's:	Basketball	Soccer
	Volleyball	Cross Country
	Softball	Track & Field

We educate and empower students to understand and transform our world.

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