

Practicum and Internship News

Master of Arts in Counseling

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Greetings Counseling Students!

Please review the following information which highlights some Practicum/Internship-related updates.

Late Registration Fee

We have been encountering difficulties with students registering late for Practicum and Internship courses. This creates problems on several levels and we recently submitted a proposal requesting a late registration fee be established for Practicum and Internship. This proposal was officially approved and will be **effective for all Practicum and Internship courses beginning in January 2012**.

According to the new policy, students registering for the Spring 2012 semester will be charged \$100 if they register after Dec. 18th and an additional \$100 if they register after Jan. 8th. It is our hope that these late registration fees will encourage students to prepare early for Practicum/Internship and register before the deadline.

Registering for Practicum/Internship

If you are planning to enroll in Practicum/Internship during the Spring 2012 semester, all of your paperwork must be submitted by **DECEMBER 18th**. For a list of the documents needed, please see the "Practicum/Internship Checklist for Students" located on our website. Please note that you will not be permitted to register for Practicum or Internship unless ALL of the items on the Practicum/Internship Checklist have been submitted and approved. Once you have submitted all of your documents, please allow 3-5 business days for your paperwork to be processed. You will then receive an email letting you know that you may go ahead and register for the course.

End-of-Semester Paperwork

If you are currently enrolled in Practicum or Internship, please ensure that all evaluations and semester summary logs are uploaded to your e-portfolio with the appropriate signatures. All signature fields on each form need to be completed. If your site supervisor signs a document electronically, it will also need to be sent to Skyla Miller (miller@messiah.edu) from the site supervisor's email address. This is our way of verifying the electronic signature.

Please also be sure to send a thank you card to your site supervisor and any other staff (such as a principal or agency director) who have supported you during your time on site!

Please contact the Practicum and Internship Coordinator, Skyla Miller, with any questions you may have.

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