



Practicum and Internship News

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Final Evaluations

If you are currently enrolled in Practicum or Internship, please ensure that all final evaluations are completed and uploaded to your e-portfolio in a timely manner.

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

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Greetings Counseling Students!

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

Graduation Checklist

We recently created a Graduation Checklist for students which we hope will be a helpful resource as you move towards graduation. This checklist has an overview of the requirements for graduation and information about deadlines. Please see the Graduation Requirements page of our website for a copy of the checklist.

Late Registration Fee

We are proposing that a \$200 late registration fee be applied to all Practicum and Internship courses. The reason we are moving in this direction is each semester we have students who want to register late for Practicum and Internship. This creates administrative problems and does not foster the professional relationships we seek to develop with site supervisors. It is our hope that a late registration fee will encourage students to prepare early for Practicum/Internship and register before the deadline. We will put an announcement on the listserv when the policy is approved. The announcement will include specific information about deadlines, etc.



Course Reflections

It was decided that individual reflections on each course will no longer be an e-portfolio requirement. Previously, course reflections were required in order to register for Practicum, Internship I, Internship II and graduation. We will now be asking students only to complete more general reflections about their personal and professional growth at the following three points throughout the program:

- Prior to admission into the Graduate Program in Counseling (specific content requirements are outlined in the admissions application)
- Prior to Practicum registration (specific content requirements are outlined in the Practicum Checklist for Students)
- At the end of Internship II (specific content requirements will be outlined in each syllabus)

Students who have already completed reflections for previous courses will find these to be helpful as they create future consolidated reflections. As students complete each course, they may find it beneficial to write a reflection for future reference. However, turning these in is no longer a requirement.

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.