

Academic Unit

This program will be housed in Rhode Hall of the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling on the TAMUK campus. The Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling Faculty offices locate on the 1st floor of Rhode Hall room #100. The Master of Science Degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) is a 60 credit hours degree to meet the licensure requirements. This CMHC program provides the necessary courses and field experience to equip students to earn a degree that meets the accreditation standards for CACREP, the nation's foremost Counseling Accreditation agency and to take the state examinations to obtain licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor or a certificate as a School Counselor. This CMHC program prepares graduates to assume leadership roles and positions for the a) development and advancement of mental health counseling services in local, state, and federal organizations, such as private practice, state and federal prisons, Texas MHMR, and psychiatric hospitals and b) for licensed school counselors serving in public and private schools.

The Department has the responsibility for preparation of students in the CMHC program. One member of the department faculty is designated as the Department Chair, one member of the program faculty is designated as the CMHC Program Coordinator, and one member of the program faculty is designated as the School Counseling Emphasis Coordinator. The Department has an internal Curriculum Review Committee through which curriculum and program changes and proposals are processed.