# **Education Counseling (EDCO)**

## COURSES

#### EDCO 5241. A STUDY OF THE ETHICAL, LEGAL, AND PROFESSIONAL ISSUES IN SCHOOL COUNSELING. 2 Hours.

A study of the ethical, legal, and professional issues involved in the provision of guidance and counseling services in an educational setting. Content includes issues of confidentiality and privileged communication, record keeping, malpractice, client rights, counselor responsibilities, codes of ethics, and relevant laws.

#### EDCO 5242. TESTING AND ASSESSMENT IN SCHOOL COUNSELING. 2 Hours.

A study of the nature, characteristics, and ethical uses of psychological tests and assessment instruments in an educational setting. Included are measurements of intelligence, aptitude, achievement, interest, and personality.

#### EDCO 5243. THE SCHOOL GUIDANCE PROGRAM. 2 Hours.

Guidance counselors provide a variety of services in addition to counseling. Career and mental health informational services, mediation and crisis intervention services are included as well as working with parents, community resources, and the instructional staff.

#### EDCO 5300. Counseling Students in Schools, Part 1. 3 Hours.

During this capstone course and practicum, candidates will attend a three-hour evening course, and must complete a minimum of 80 of their 160 practicum hours in an approved public school. This will include individual counseling, small group counseling, consulting activities, guidance activities delivered to classrooms, planning, testing and test interpretation, and other activities as directed by the site-based mentor counselor and by a UTA supervisor. Additionally, there will be required every-other-Friday two-hour-after-school seminars at UTA.

#### EDCO 5301. Counseling Students in Schools, part 2. 3 Hours.

This course is a follow up to EDCO 5300 and will also include required every-other-Friday afternoon two-hour-after-school seminars. Candidates will complete their practicum activities this semester by finishing their total of 160 (minimum) supervised hours in their approved public school along with all other course requirements. A university supervisor and a site-based mentor counselor will provide practicum supervision.

### EDCO 5340. ADVANCED HUMAN GROWTH AND DIVERSITY. 3 Hours.

This advanced course includes the theories of psychosocial, cognitive, and biological development as well as the characteristics and needs of special populations including gifted and talented and special education. Also included is research on gender, culture, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, intellect, lifestyle, and other issues of relevance for educators and students in today's schools.