

# SCHOOL COUNSELING MINOR

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Division of Social Sciences

The minor in School Counseling is designed to prepare Washington College students interested in a career working in a counseling capacity with K-12 students with the introductory skills required to help students identify challenges, integrate within a community, and plan for academic success. We anticipate that this minor can appeal to students interested in graduate school and careers in guidance and school counseling, school-based social work, and school psychology.

Students completing the Minor will be prepared for graduate programs in K-12 school guidance counseling and will have a liberal arts foundation for the career pathway. Although some graduate programs require only a major in a general area of the social sciences, some programs and employers look for a greater depth of content preparation and field experiences, and that is what this minor is designed to provide. Classes in the minor provide a foundation in educational theory and learning sciences and the scientific study of behavior and mind; upper-level courses provide problem solving and content application and communication skills supported by the opportunity for field work in a local school. The minor will prepare students for further study in an accredited, certified graduate program and eventual employment as a school counselor or in a related field.

Students cannot minor in School Counseling and Education Studies, Psychology, or Social Welfare. Human Development majors can only double-count EDU 251 and EDU 252 for the major and this minor.

Code	Title	Credits	Notes
<b>Background Knowledge</b>		<b>12</b>	
EDU 251	Principles of Education		
EDU 252	Educational Psychology		
PSY 304	Theories and Processes of Counseling		
<b>Application</b>		<b>8</b>	
EDU 307	Literacy in the Content Area		
PSY 490	Psychology Internship		
<b>Choose 1 Elective</b>		<b>4</b>	
EDU 330	Diversity & Inclusion		
PSY 202	Life-Span Development		
PSY 209	Statistics & Research Design I with Lab		
or MAT 109	Statistical Inference & Data Analysis I		
PSY 234	Medical and Developmental Disorders		
SOC 221	Social Inequalities		
SOC 347	Juvenile Delinq & Social Welfr		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>24</b>	

Some of the required PSY or elective courses have prerequisites of PSY 111 and 112, so the "core" courses total is 7.

## Major

- Human Development Major (without Teacher Certification) (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/education/human-development-major-without-teacher-certification/>)
- Human Development Major (with Teacher Certification) (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/education/human-development-major-teacher-certification/>)

## Minor

- Education Studies Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/education/education-studies-minor/>)

## Certificate

- Secondary Education Certification Program (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/education/secondary-education-certification-program/>)