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# DOCTOR OF PSYCHOLOGY IN COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

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## Application Procedures

Application Deadline: January 15th

1. **Application Form and Fee.** There is a \$30 application fee. The application fee is charged as part of the online application process. If you choose to submit a paper application, please remit payment with the completed application form.
2. **Short Essay Response Questions.** Please provide a typed response to each of the following essay questions. Typical responses to each question are approximately 250 to 300 words:
  - A. Please describe what you have been doing in the past few years in the area of psychology or a related field.
  - B. If you were to obtain a Psy.D. in Counseling Psychology, how do you see yourself using it in the future?  
Describe what your anticipated scope of practice would be five years after completing the degree.
  - C. As you look to the future, how do you envision yourself creating a healing environment for an increasingly globalized community? For example, you may intend to use your skills overseas or you may desire to serve the refugee community in a local context.
4. **References.** Submit *Character Reference Forms* to three persons qualified to judge your professional expertise, character, and capacity for graduate-level study in each of the following areas:
  - ☐ Personally
  - ☐ Professionally
  - ☐ Academically
5. **Resume.** Please provide a detailed description of your past work and volunteer experience. You may submit your resume to the College of Social and Behavioral Science via email, fax, or mail. Please see contact information below.
5. **Transcripts.**
  - A. A Baccalaureate degree of Arts or Science (or an equivalent degree) from an accredited college or university is required to qualify for admission to the program. It is preferred that you have a major in psychology. However, if your degree is not, you must have completed the following prerequisites:
    - General Psychology; Theories of Personality **or** Theories of Psychotherapy; Developmental Theory **or** Life Span Development, Abnormal Psychology **or** Psychopathology; Statistics **or** Research Methods (in Behavioral Sciences)
  - B. Official transcripts from all colleges or universities you have previously attended are required.  
Please have all paper and/or electronic transcripts sent directly to Northwest University, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.
6. **GRE.** The general test is required. You must submit a GRE score in order to be considered for admittance.

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- 7. Interview.** When all of the above materials are received, your application will be reviewed and qualified applicants will be asked to participate in an individual and a group interview. (Contact the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences in order to determine if anything is still pending from your application). Individual interviews are scheduled after all application materials have been received and the group interview will occur in early February. Following the interview process qualified applicants will be considered for admission to the program and the results will be mailed to the applicants shortly thereafter.

*This checklist is for your use only. You do not need to send it to Northwest University.*

Please make sure the following are complete before submitting:

- ☐ Admissions Application Form completed, signed, and dated, with Application Fee included
- ☐ Short Essay Response Questions
- ☐ Academic Reference Form delivered to \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Professional Reference Form delivered to \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Personal Reference Form delivered to \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Official Transcripts requested
- ☐ GRE

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact the office of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. All application materials should be directed to the following address:

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