KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY. College of Education

## Fast Facts for the M.S. in School Counseling Program CACREP ACCREDITED THROUGH COTOBER 31, 2024

\*Kansas State University M.S. in School Counseling Program is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) through October 31, 2024.

\*The program is a 48-hour credit hours designed to prepare dynamic, professional school counselors to be team leaders who implement comprehensive school counseling programs that are integral to the total educational system. The school counseling program may be completed in 24 months with a combination of on-line and on-campus coursework.

\*School counselors are taught by award winning faculty in coursework designed to support students' achievement and learning and their academic, career and social/emotional development.

\*Current M.S. and PhD students and alumnus of the KSU counselor education programs are state and national leaders in in school and counselor education.

\*KSU counselor education programs value the collaborative relationship with the Kansas School Counselor Association. Leaders in KSCA serve as mentors to our M.S. students and are frequent speakers and facilitators in courses.

\*Kansas State Counselor Education program has hosted an annual School Counselor Camp for seven years in collaboration with KSDE and KSCA. The camp keynote speakers has included among other Dr. Carolyn Stone, Elizabeth Smart, Dr. Shari Sevier, Tara Brown, Brian Coleman, Sara Kirk, Erin Merryn, Dr. Rich Feller, Corey Notestine, Clark Flatt, and Dr. Shane Lopez.

\*Kansas State University M.S. in School Counseling Program has approximately 56 diverse students.

\*Kansas State is the home of the 1.25 billion National Bio and Agro-defense Facility, developed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

\*100% of the Master's students pass the Praxis Professional School Counselor exam following completion of the program.

\*During 2019-20, 20 students graduated with their M.S. in School Counseling.

\*Many students are employed as professional school counselors PRIOR to program completion.

\*Courses are offered in traditional on-campus, on-line and select video-conference formats. Courses accommodate both parttime and full-time students.

\*Multiple Graduate Teaching Assistantships and Graduate Research Assistantships are available to students.

\*Multiple scholarships are available to students in the M.S. in School Counseling program.

\*A teaching license is NOT required to becoming a professional school counselor in Kansas. One option for licensure is for those who have a teaching license; the second option, parallel pathway, is for individuals who do not have a professional teaching license. Parallel pathway criteria are integrated into existing coursework and do NOT require extra credit hours or tuition.

\*Students are expected to join the student counseling organization and professional counseling organizations. Students are also expected to participate in professional counseling conferences and are provided with support and opportunities for these professional development opportunities.

\*KSU Department of Special Education, Counseling, and Student Affairs faculty teaching counseling courses: 6 females (2 teach research courses) and 4 males (2 teach research courses), 1 Asian American and 1 African American.