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MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING CAREER SNAPSHOT

The Masters of Arts in Mental Health Counseling program at Baruch College prepares graduates to be professional practitioners in a variety of mental health settings. The program also provides students with a comprehensive background that emphasizes both academic coursework and supervised clinical internship training.

Students enrolled in MA in Mental Health Counseling program will:

1. Develop a full understanding of the professional and ethical and legal issues relevant to mental health counseling and consultation.
2. Practice in a variety of settings with diverse populations and gain a comprehensive understanding of multicultural and career issues in counseling.
3. Implement counseling/prevention/intervention services related to mental health counseling.

Did you KNOW ?

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, employment of mental health counselors is expected to grow by 36 percent by 2020. Growth is expected as insurance companies increasingly provide reimbursement of counselors as a less costly alternative to psychiatrists and psychologists.

JOB SEARCH SITES

- ACA Employment Classifieds: <http://ct.counseling.org/employment-classifieds/>
- Civilian Corps USA: <http://civilianmedicaljobs.com/>
- Chronicle of Higher Education Job Postings: <http://chronicle.com/section/Jobs/61/>
- Counselors without Borders: www.counselorswithoutborders.org
- Employee Assistant Professional (EAP) Career Central: www.eapa.info/Careers/EAPCareers.html
- NAADAC: The Association for Addiction Professionals Career Center: <http://www.naadac.org/jobs>
- The Social Service Job Site: www.socialservice.com
- Veterans Affairs (VA) Jobs for Mental Health Professionals: <http://www.vacareers.va.gov/occupations/mental-health.asp>

ASSOCIATIONS

- American Counseling Association (ACA): www.counseling.org
- American Mental Health Counselors Association (AMHCA): www.amhca.org
- National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC): www.nbcc.org
- New York Counseling Association (NYCA): www.nycounseling.org
- New York Mental Health Counselors Association (NYMHCA): www.nymhca.org

CAREER TITLES:

Behavioral Health Specialist
Bereavement Counselor
Family Therapist
Health & Wellbeing Counselor
Life Skills Specialist
Mental Health Counselor
Program Coordinator
Trauma & Loss Counselor

CAREER ENVIRONMENTS:

Churches & Synagogues
College Counseling Centers
Community Centers
Counseling Centers
Group Homes/Residential Treatment Facilities
Hospitals/Nursing Homes/ Hospice Care Agencies
Nonprofits/Social Services Agencies
Trauma Centers



LICENSING LINKS:

- <http://www.counseling.org/Counselors/LicensureAndCert.aspx>
- <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/mhp/mhclhc.htm>
- <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/geninfo.htm>

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