

## **Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling Preconditions**

### **1. Bachelor's Degree (Ed Code §44266)**

*Persons admitted to programs must have a minimum of a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.*

The University of La Verne offers pupil personnel services programs in school counseling and school psychology. Both programs emphasize the importance of academic advising and require that each credential candidate possesses a Commission-recognized baccalaureate degree. The requirements are clearly described in the University Catalog:

<https://education.laverne.edu/counseling/>

### **2. Program Curriculum**

*A college or university that operates a program of professional preparation shall have a curriculum that meets the appropriate requirement as follows: A program of study for the **school counselor specialization** shall be: Equivalent to a minimum of 48 semester units or 72 quarter units; or 720 classroom hours of post baccalaureate study.*

The University of La Verne school counseling preparation program requires 51 semester-units of graduate level course work in order to be eligible for a credential recommendation. The program curriculum is described in the University Catalog: <https://education.laverne.edu/counseling/curriculum/>

### **3. For Intern Programs**

*An entity that operates an approved program of preparation for a PPS credential with an Intern option shall require each candidate who is admitted into the Intern Program to have completed sufficient coursework so that the candidate is ready for supervised practice in the schools. The Intern must be supervised and supported by both the employer and the Commission-approved program.*

**Internship Handbook:** The [Internship Credential Process Chart](#) for PPS candidates provides a quick overview of the process and timeline for securing eligibility, and the CCTC authorized PPS Intern Credential.

All candidates are expected to review the [PPS Internship Handbook](#) before applying for internship eligibility and adhere to the requirements of the Internship Program while employed under the credential.

**Internship Application:** Submit the [Internship Application Part I](#) to obtain a letter of eligibility for use when applying for school counseling jobs.

- Submit the [Internship Application Part II](#) when you have received a job offer.