

Currently the Department of Professional Studies is admitting candidates in the Community Counseling option ONLY for the Master's of Science Degree in Counseling.

Rehabilitation counselors focus on helping individuals adjust to the vocational, social and personal impact of disabilities. In the public sector they often work as case managers in state or veterans rehabilitation agencies such as Social Security and many of these counselors work in the private sector. Rehabilitation counselors are called upon to testify as vocational experts in administrative hearings or Social Security, personal injury lawsuits and worker's compensation claims. Rehabilitation and community counselors often work closely with other professionals such as psychiatrists, social workers, and psychologists in providing treatments to individuals in public mental health agencies and in institutional settings. There is a strong demand for rehabilitation and mental health counselors, and many are employed by insurance companies. There is more and more acceptance and willingness by insurance companies to provide reimbursement for private counseling.

Click on the link below to view the course of study.

<http://www.southalabama.edu/coe/forms/cedrehab.pdf>

Useful Links:

[American Counseling Association](#)

[Alabama Board of Examiner in Counseling](#)

[Certified Rehabilitation Counselors](#)

[Occupational Outlook Handbook](#)