

## Retention and Dismissal Policy - Student Consent Agreement

University of Wyoming – School of Counseling, Leadership, Advocacy, and Design: Counseling Program  
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The course content and experiential activities involved in the Counseling Program are designed to afford students the opportunity to advance their personal, intellectual, clinical, and professional development and functioning. Throughout the program of study, you will be given feedback concerning your personal, intellectual, and professional strengths, weaknesses and performance. This feedback will come from faculty, supervisors, peers and clients. You will be expected to deal with this feedback in a mature and professional manner.

The expectations of the Program's curricula are that you will explore and recognize the effect that your personal beliefs, issues, emotions, and behaviors have on your ability to function as a counseling professional. The various "techniques" or "skills" courses will require that you develop and demonstrate your clinical and professional skills as you work with classmates in role-play situations, with clients in actual sessions, and with supervisors / supervisees. You will be asked to examine your behaviors, beliefs, and emotions in relation to your professional activities and experiences on an ongoing basis.

Counseling Program faculty members have a responsibility to dismiss students who are unable to render competent service due to academic and/or non-academic performance deficiencies.

If, in the professional judgment of the faculty, a student's academic or non-academic performance (as described in the Retention and Dismissal policy and Counseling Student Program Evaluation form) is deemed substandard, unethical, illegal, and/or professionally unbecoming at any time during the course of training, faculty will review the performance and behavior of the student and develop a written improvement plan. In the case of serious ethical violation or unprofessional behavior, the student will be dismissed without an opportunity for remediation.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (print student name) have read the most current American Counseling Association Code of Ethics, all UW Graduate Student Regulations and Policies, the relevant Ph.D. or MS Handbook, the Counseling Program Student Retention and Dismissal Policy, the Clinical and/or Supervisory Skills Evaluation Form, and the Counseling Program Student Evaluation Form.

I agree that the Counseling Program faculty have the responsibility and the right to monitor my academic and non-academic performance as they relate to the standards and expectations of the counseling profession. I agree to participate fully in all courses and the program.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_