

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN REHABILITATION COUNSELING EDUCATION

78 credit hours minimum
Comprehensive exam
Dissertation and oral defense

The purpose of the doctoral program is to prepare leaders in the field of rehabilitation counseling at the highest level of training. Illinois Institute of Technology faculty view rehabilitation counseling as a specialized area of professional counseling practice in which the major goal is to assist a person with a disability or chronic illness to move to psychological and economic independence.

The mission of the Rehabilitation Counseling Education Program at Illinois Tech is to offer a student-focused and research-based curriculum that prepares doctoral-level students to become professional counselor educators trained to perform advanced-level counseling, post-secondary teaching, clinical supervision, research, scholarship, leadership, and advocacy activities.

The program of study provides for the equivalent of two years (four semesters) of full-time coursework and supervised experience, in addition to the completion of dissertation research. Students take 54 credit hours of coursework (15 of which can be transferred from a qualifying master's degree program) plus 24 credit hours of dissertation work. Students must successfully pass both oral and written comprehensive exams.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Statistics and Research Design		(12)
PSYC 540	Research Methods	3
PSYC 545	Graduate Statistics I	3
PSYC 546	Graduate Statistics II	3
PSYC 554	Survey:Multivariate Statistics	3
Rehabilitation Core		(9)
PSYC 566	Addictive Behavior/Behavior Ch	3
PSYC 577	Professional & Ethical Issues	3
PSYC 588	Graduate Psychology Seminar	3
Experiential Components of Rehabilitation Counseling Education		(9)
PSYC 549	Practicum Rehab Mental Health	3
PSYC 586	Concepts of Supervision	3
PSYC 588	Graduate Psychology Seminar (Curriculum Development and Practice Teaching)	3
Internships		(9)
Students are required to complete three internships that total 600 hours in three of the following areas: research, teaching, supervision, counseling, and/or leadership and advocacy.		
PSYC 589	Rehab Internship III	9
Elective Courses		(15)
Select 15 credit hours from the following courses:		15
PSYC 411	Medcl Aspects of Dsblng Cond	3
PSYC 513	Assess Rehab/Mental Hlth Cslng	3
PSYC 523	Theories of Psychotherapy	3
PSYC 526	Psychopathology	3
PSYC 547	Evidence-Based Practice	3
PSYC 561	Applied Counseling Techniques	3
PSYC 562	Job Placement	3
PSYC 563	Human Growth & Career Develop	3
PSYC 564	Rehab/Mental Health Cnslng Res	3
PSYC 583	Rehab Engineering Technology I	3
PSYC 590	Psychiatric Rehabilitation	3
Research Courses		(24)

PSYC 691	Research and Thesis Ph.D.	24
Total Credit Hours		78