

Certified Rehabilitation Counseling Examination (CRCE)

Effective fall 2014, the Certified Rehabilitation Counseling Examination (CRCE) will be used as the comprehensive examination for the Master of Science (MS) Counselor Education, Rehabilitation Counseling program. This exam provides a national professional credential for the students as well as helps meet CORE accreditation program evaluation needs.

Students enrolled in the MS Counselor Education, Rehabilitation Counseling program who have completed 75% of their course work including all the Rehabilitation Counseling specializations are eligible to take the CRCE exam. Students may take the comprehensive examination a total of three times. In keeping with the Graduate School policy, students must enroll in a minimum of one credit hour in the semester in which they retake the examination. Students who fail the examination three times will not be able to graduate and will be dismissed from the program. Students may appeal their failure to pass the exam 3 times.

The CRCE consists of 175 multiple choice questions administered during an allotted 3½ hours window (candidates should set aside four hours, which includes time for check-in, instructions, and a tutorial on the computer in order for candidates to become familiar with the computer system). The certification examination is comprised of questions across ten (10) knowledge domains underlying rehabilitation counseling. Additionally, each of the ten domains are further defined into subdomains. The titles of the domains are: Assessment, Appraisal, and Vocational Evaluation; Job Development, Job Placement, and Career and Lifestyle Development; Vocational Consultation and Services for Employers; Case Management, Professional Roles and Practices, and Utilization of Community Resources; Foundations of Counseling, Professional Orientation and Ethical Practice, Theories, Social and Cultural Issues, and Human Growth and Development; Group and Family Counseling; Mental Health Counseling; Medical, Functional, and Psychosocial Aspects of Disability; Disability Management; Research, Program Evaluation, and Evidence Based Practice.

Application Deadline Testing Dates

The exam is administered three times a year, March, July and October. Students who fail must immediately retake exam the following time it is administered.

The CRCE Exam application deadlines and test dates are (check CRC website for specific dates):

May 15 October 3-11
October 15 March 6-14
February 16 July 10-18

The CRC Exam is available in more than 300 locations in the U.S. and Canada for each test date. To locate testing sites in your area, visit the Prometric website at <http://www.prometric.com/crcc>

Follow the navigation to locate your most convenient testing center. Exam results will be provided to candidates at the test site following completion of the exam.

CRC Application Process

The CRCE Application Packet Instructions contain step-by-step directions to ensure applicants prepare a complete application packet. The completed application, with supporting documentation and fees, must then be submitted by mail to CRCC. Incomplete applications result in a delay in determining eligibility and will delay the applicant's ability to test in the cycle requested.

Appeals Procedure for Failing CPCE and/or CRCE 3 times

Students who fail the CPCE 3 times will be allowed to appeal and provide a compelling explanation as to why they failed the exam 3 times. They will also calculate a "super score" based on the highest scores received on any of the 3 administrations on each of the content areas. The "super score" has to be on or above the average of the 3 mean scores. If the student does not meet the "super score" an essay exam will be administered containing questions from each of the exam content areas. The essay exam will be developed and graded by the faculty.