

CERTIFICATION PREPARATION PROGRAM

These are programs of study that do not lead to a degree or to an EKU awarded recognition but instead prepare the student, upon recommendation from EKU, for more advanced professional certification and/or Ranking by the Commonwealth of Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB).

Standard Guidance Certification Program

This program allows those holding the state's Provisional Certificate in School Counseling to convert their initial/provisional certification into Standard Guidance Certification. All individuals are required to earn six (6) graduate hours above their masters degree regardless of the institution from whom they obtained it and the number of credits/hours completed within their degree. This can also serve as a pathway for individuals needing to reinstate a lapsed certification with EPSB approval.

Rank I in School Counseling Program

This program allows those with a master's degree in school counseling of less than 60 credits to obtain the necessary credits beyond their degree to earn Rank I in the state's educator rank system. Individuals must complete enough credits in this program to reach a total minimum of 60 [school] counseling, graduate credits. Individuals holding a master's degree in education or a related field must first apply to the MAEd School Counseling degree program before applying to this program, and may therefore not need this program as they may then have enough graduate credits to reach Rank I. This may also serve as a pathway for individuals needing to reinstate a lapsed certification with EPSB approval.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Standard Guidance Certification Requirements Electives		
	Choose from six hours of electives to be selected with advisor approval	6
Rank I Certification Requirements Electives		
	Rank I in School Counseling must at least 60 graduate hours in a planned program to be selected with advisor approval	12