

**Western Carolina University**

The Graduate School  
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Cullowhee, NC 28723

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**Department of Human Services  
Counseling Programs**

1. Applicant Statement of Goals and Experiences
2. Resume of Education and Employment History

Your responses to the items requested below will be reviewed as part of your application for admission to the master's program in counseling at Western Carolina University. Your application will be incomplete without this information. All application materials **should be submitted to the Graduate School at the above address**, and must be post-marked no later than January 31.

- Goal Statement Directions:

Goal statements are to be typed and are limited to three (3) single-sided pages in length. Applicants should follow these guidelines in formatting the goal statement:

- 1-inch margins
- 12-point type with Times or New Times Roman font
- Double-spaced
- Please remember to sign your statement.
- Respond to the following four items in your statement:
  1. State the program to which you are making application (school or community) and state your professional goals and aspirations.
  2. Describe your motivation for applying to the counseling program at Western Carolina University.
  3. Briefly describe formal and informal experiences that indicate your potential as an effective counselor with individuals and with groups.
  4. Preparation as a counselor requires an openness to self-examination for the purpose of growing professionally and personally. Describe personal characteristics that reflect your willingness to engage in such a self-examination process.

- Education and Employment History Directions:

Resumes are to be typed and are limited to two (2) single-sided pages in length. Applicants should follow these guidelines in formatting the resume:

- Use one-inch margins
- 12-point type with Times or New Times Roman font
- Include your educational and employment history as well as other pertinent professional information