



# Western Washington University

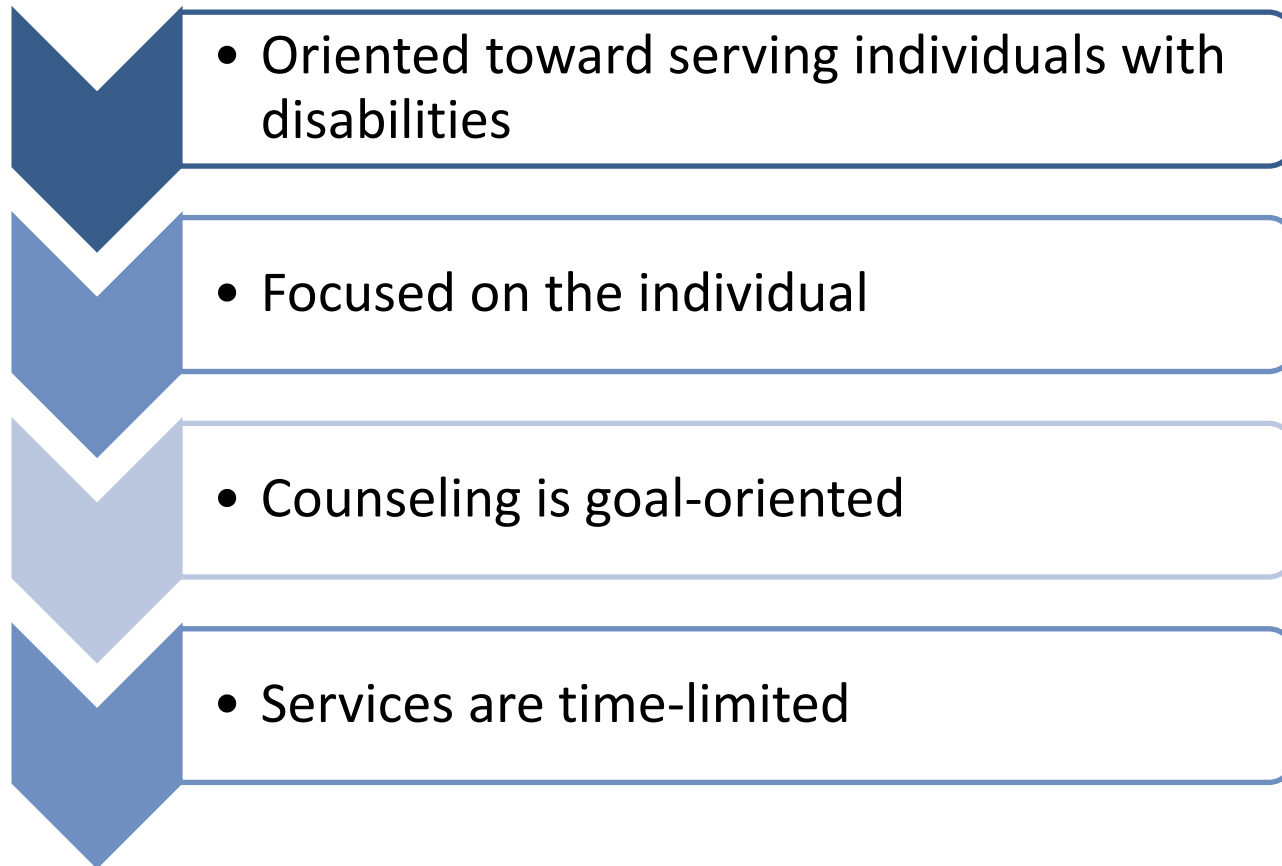
## Master of Arts in Rehabilitation Counseling

(CACREP-accredited)

### Everett University Center

located on the Everett Community College campus

# What is Rehabilitation Counseling?



**Rehabilitation counselors are the only professional counselors educated and trained specifically to serve individuals with disabilities.**

Rehabilitation counselors encourage and support individuals with physical, mental, developmental, cognitive, and emotional disabilities to achieve their personal, career and independent living goals in the most integrated setting possible. \*

\*Adapted from  
Commission on  
Rehabilitation Counselor  
Certification website.

Rehabilitation Counselors engage in a counseling process which includes communication, goal setting, and beneficial growth or change through self-advocacy, psychological, vocational, social and behavioral interventions. \*

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## Rehabilitation counseling is distinguished from other helping professions by several key factors:\*

Specialized training that focuses on:

- understanding the medical and psychosocial aspects of various disabilities and disabling conditions within a cultural context
- knowledge of assistive technology
- skilled service delivery through application of the case management process
- assessing abilities and strengths to facilitate a return-to-work or entry into the world of work

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Philosophy and approach to counseling that:

- values the rights of individuals with disabilities to live independent, integrated lives for full community participation
- considers advocacy with and for people with disabilities to be an essential part of the job
- strongly commits to the concepts of holistic counseling, full inclusion, and empowerment
- engages in a co-collaboration between the individual and counselor

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# Where do Rehabilitation Counselors Work?

Division of  
Vocational  
Rehabilitation;  
Department  
of Services for  
the Blind

VA Hospitals;  
VA Veteran  
Readiness &  
Employment  
program (VR  
& E)

Non-profits  
focusing on  
employment;  
including  
mental health  
and substance  
use agencies

Workers  
Compensation  
Agencies

Community  
College &  
University  
Disability  
Support  
Services

# Program - Format

Combination of online, hybrid, and face-to-face classes

Each face-to-face class meets one evening a week; hybrid classes meet 5x in quarter

Offices and classrooms are located in the Everett University Center building

**Program Length:** Most students complete the program in 2 or 3 years (includes summers).





## Tuition

For 2022-2023 (*WA State Residents*)

- \$369/credit up to 9 credits
- \$3,685 for 10-18 credits
- In addition, there is a \$50 per quarter Everett fee and a \$1 per quarter Legislative Action Fund fee
- Approximately \$300/quarter for books

## Important Dates

- Priority Deadline: April 1<sup>st</sup>
- Final Deadline: June 1<sup>st</sup>  
(we accept applications after June 1 if there is still space in the cohort)
- New students start the program: Fall

For more information:

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