



THE GRADUATE SCHOOL PRESENTS: MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GENETIC COUNSELING

A DYNAMIC AND EXPANDING CAREER PATH

Genetic counselors (GCs) play a critical, growing role in the healthcare system. Genetic testing is becoming an integral part of virtually all medical specialties and GCs are at the forefront of personalized genomic medicine. As members of multidisciplinary healthcare teams, GCs ensure quality, comprehensive care of those affected by or at risk for genetic conditions. Clinical GCs provide scientific expertise, education, risk assessment, non-directive support for client decision making and psychosocial needs, and referral to resources. Laboratory-based GCs confirm that proper testing is ordered, interpret test data, and provide clear written and verbal communication about results. GCs on research teams interface with research subjects and other professionals to generate and communicate new discoveries that advance the understanding of genetic conditions and improve patient care.

CAREER PATHS OF GRADUATES

Our graduates are in high demand and typically receive job offers prior to graduation; our 2016 graduates all started positions within one month of graduation. They enjoy rewarding careers with hospitals, laboratories, government agencies and patient advocacy organizations. Many serve as faculty for academic institutions.



WHY CHOOSE CU ANSCHUTZ?

The comprehensive curriculum integrates work in human clinical and laboratory genetics, psychosocial and counseling theory, clinical research and ethical, legal, social and professional practice issues. The CU Genetic Counseling Program is the third oldest continuous training program for genetic counselors in North America and one of only two such programs in the Rocky Mountain region.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

COMPREHENSIVE CURRICULUM

- 21 month (5 semester) program.
- Fully accredited by ACGC.
- More than 1,000 hours of direct, supervised clinical training.

GO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Clinical case conferences, genetics seminars, journal club, clinical research, and education outreach activities.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

Excellent pass rate of program graduates on the American Board of Genetic Counseling Certification Exam.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Recent graduates have presented their research at national meetings including the National Society of Genetic Counselors, American College of Medical Genetics and National Fragile X Foundation.

APPLICATIONS

All application materials must be postmarked by Jan. 1 to be considered for the following fall. On-campus interviews take place in Mar. and April and admission notifications are made in late April.

Find out more at
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