Department of Counseling

Professional Events Calendar

2025-2026

SAHP New Student Orientation	Monday, Tuesday August 11-12
Department of Counseling New Student Orientation 1pm- 2:30pm	Monday, August 11
Chi Sigma Iota Welcome Lunch 12 pm- 1 pm	Tuesday, August 12
LSUHSC First day of classes	Wednesday August 13
Practicum and Internship Site Supervisor Orientation	Friday August 15
Last day for adding courses for credit and for dropping courses. Last day to convert "I" grades from previous term	Wednesday, August 27
Digital Boundaries: Ethics in the Age of TikTok Therapy 10 am- 12 pm	Friday, August 29
Labor Day Holiday	Monday September 1
Open House 1-2:30 pm	Friday, September 5
Introduction to Advance Play Therapy 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday , Septeber 11,
SAHP Job and Clinical Rotation Networking Fair 12- 1 pm Zoom, 1-4 pm in person	Wednesday, September 17
Therapeutic Play Techniques and Child Development 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, September 18
Counseling Department Research Symposium 10:00 am- 12:00 pm	Friday, September 19
Family Dynamics and Cultural Competence in Play Therapy 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, September 25
Nominations due for Class Officers	Wednesday, October 1
Group Play Therapy 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, October 2
Diagnosing Mood Disorders: Clarity, Competence, and Compassion in Clinical Practice 9 am- 12 pm	Friday, October 3
NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Walk Audubon Park in New Orleans	Saturday, October 4
Louisiana Counseling Association Conference, Baton Rouge, LA	October 5-7
Association of Play Therapy Conference, Houston, TX	October 7-12
ACES Conference Philadelphia, PA	October 8-12
Ethical and Legal Considerations and Play Therapy Treatment Process 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, October 9
Application Deadline for the Spring 2026 semester.	Wednesday, October 15
Childhood-Related Problems, Mental Health Diagnosis/Disorders, and Trauma 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, October 16
Practicum and Internship Spring 2026 Applications Due	Friday October 19
Department Interviews for applicants	Wednesday October 22
Assessment in Play Therapy and Identifying Play Dynamics 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, October 23
Supported Employment for Individuals with Schizophrenia 10 am- 12 pm	Friday, October 24
Take the Comprehensive Exam	Friday, October 24
Department Applicant Interviews 9-11:30 am	Wednesday, October 29
Developing Play Therapy Treatment Goals and Plans 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, October 30
Increasing the Professional Counselor's Confidence and Comfort When Serving Clients with Disabilities 10 am- 12 pm	Friday, October 31
Department head meeting with students	Friday, October 31
National Allied Health Week	November 2nd- 8th
Case Studies in Play Therapy 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, November 6
Self Care Day	Friday, November 7
From Lyrics to Liberation: Using Pop Culture in Counseling to Build Rapport and Foster Insight 9 am- 12 pm	Friday, November 7
Family Day	Saturday, November 8
Maintaining Play Therapy Credentials and Professional Involvement 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, November 13
Advanced Play Therapy Techniques and Course Review 10 am- 12 pm	Thursday, November 20
Last Day to Drop or Withdraw from Term	Friday November 21
Thanksgiving Holiday	Thursday & Friday November 27-28
Site Showcase 9-10:30 am	Monday, December 1

Last Day of Classes	Friday December 5
Tigers and Stripes 10am- 12 pm	Friday December 5
Conferral of Degrees	Thursday December 11
Advisory Board Meeting 9:30 am- 11 am	Wednesday, February 11
SAHP New Student Orientation	Monday, Tuesday January 12, 13
Department of Counseling New Student Orientation 1pm- 3pm	Monday, January 12
Semester Begins	Wednesday January 14
Martin Luther King's birthday observed	Monday, January 19
Final day for adding courses for credit and dropping courses. Last day to convert "I" grades from previous term	Wednesday January 14
Advisory Board Meeting 9:30 am- 11 am	Wednesday, February 11
Mardi Gras Holiday	Tuesday, February 17
LAPT Annual Conference	Friday, Saturday March 6-7
Counseling Awarness Month	April
Good Friday, Easter Holiday	Friday, April 3
American Counseling Association Conference Columbus, OH	April 9-11
Department of Counseling White Coat Ceremony 10am- 12pm	Friday, April 24
Last Day to Drop or Withdraw from Term	Friday, April 24
Mental Health Awareness Month	May
Site Showcase, Fieldwork Presentation 9-10:30 am	Monday, May 4
Semester Ends	Friday May 8
Pre Commencement Ceremony	Wedneday, May 13
Conferral of Degrees	Thursday May 14
SAHP New Student Orientation	Monday, Tuesday May 18, 19
Semester Begins	Wednesday May 20
Application Deadline for the Fall 2026 semester.	Monday, June 1
Final day for adding courses for credit and dropping courses. Last day to convert "I" grades from previous term	Wednesday June 3
Indendance Day Holiday	Friday, July 3
Last Day to Drop or Withdraw from Term	Friday July 17
Semester Ends	Friday July 31
Conferral of Degrees	Saturday August 8

Purple Department of Counseling events