

# Master of Science in Genetic Counseling

Applicants to the Master of Science in Genetic Counseling (MSGC) program must hold a bachelor's degree (or equivalent if from a foreign college or university), and they must have completed prerequisite courses from an accredited college or university. The Program in Genetic Counseling is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Genetic Counseling (ACGC) (<https://www.gceducation.org/>). The ACGC is a member of the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA) (<https://aspa-usa.org/>). The ASPA is dedicated to enhancing quality in higher education through specialized and professional accreditation.

The MSGC program prepares students to become certified genetic counselors. In addition to course work, students will complete clinical fieldwork rotations and complete a research project prior to graduation. The MSGC degree program is a 21-month, full-time program.

Graduates of the Program in Genetic Counseling will be eligible to sit for the American Board of Genetic Counseling (ABGC) (<https://www.abgc.net/>) certification examination. The School of Medicine has determined that, as a result of its ACGC accreditation, its genetic counseling program curriculum meets the educational requirements needed for graduates to sit for the ABGC Certification Examination and to pursue licensure in all states and territories of the United States and Washington, DC, in which licensure is available.