

ACCREDITED FINANCIAL COUNSELOR, CERTIFICATE (1758)

Program Coordinator

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WKU's Accredited Financial Counselor certificate program is designed to fulfill the educational requirements of the Accredited Financial Counselor® certification, awarded following passage of a separate test administered by the AFCPE. The program prepares individuals to: (1) educate clients in sound financial principles; (2) assist clients in the process of overcoming their financial indebtedness; (3) help clients identify and modify ineffective money management behaviors; (4) guide clients in developing successful strategies for achieving their financial goals; (5) support clients as they work through their financial challenges and opportunities; and (6) help clients develop new perspectives on the dynamics of money in relation to family, friends and individual self-esteem. The AFC® certification also requires 1,000 hours of relevant financial counseling experience, three letters of reference, and adherence to a code of ethics.

Program Requirements (9 hours)

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
FIN 161	Personal Finance	3
FIN 350	Risk Management and Insurance	3
CNS 432	Helping Skills ¹	3
or FIN 422	Personal Financial Planning Practice Management	
Total Hours		9

¹ Financial Planning students may choose FIN 422 in place of CNS 432 if they have completed all prerequisites.