UAF Counseling Program
Informed Consent Agreement

The course content and experiential activities involved in the Counseling Program are designed to afford students the opportunity to advance their personal, intellectual, and professional development and functioning. Through the program of study, you will be given feedback concerning your personal, academic, and professional strengths, weaknesses, and performance. This feedback will come from faculty, supervisors, peers, and clients. You will be expected to receive and utilize this feedback in a mature and professional manner.

The expectations of the Counseling Program’s curricula are that you will explore and recognize the effect that your personal beliefs, issues, emotions, and behaviors have on your ability to function as a counseling professional. The various techniques or skills courses will require that you develop and demonstrate your professional skills as you work with classmates in role-playing situations and with clients in actual sessions. You will be asked to examine your behaviors, beliefs, and emotions in relation to your professional activities and experiences on an ongoing basis.

The Counseling Program faculty members believe they have a responsibility to dismiss students who are unable to render competent service due to academic or personal limitations. They also recognize their obligation to assist students in obtaining remedial assistance as needed, to consult with colleagues and document their decision to refer students for assistance or to request that students be dismissed from the program, and to assure that students have adequate recourse to address decisions made.

If in the professional judgment of a faculty member, a student’s behavior is deemed substandard, unethical, illegal, and/or professionally unbecoming at any time during the course of training (including course work, and internships), a faculty review committee will be called to review the performance and behavior of the student and to make recommendations to the Program Coordinator.

I, ______________________________________ (student name), have read the M.Ed. in Counseling Student Handbook, the Professional Characteristics Feedback Form, and the 2014 American Counseling Association Code of Ethics (http://www.counseling.org/resources/aca-code-of-ethics.pdf). I agree that the faculty of the Counseling Program has the right and responsibility to monitor my academic and professional behavior.

I am willing to participate fully in the courses and requirements and I agree to abide by the policies delineated in the M.Ed. in Counseling Student Handbook and the UAF Catalog.

Signature ___________________________________________ Date ______________

Please give this completed form to your faculty advisor. Your advisor will sign the form and turn it into the office where it will be placed in your student folder.

__________________________________________ Date ______________
Faculty Advisor’s Signature

This completed form must be turned in prior to the end of the 1st semester in which a student is admitted or the student will be suspended from taking further courses in the program.