

**Competency**
**Fitchburg State University Course Coverage of Competency\*\***

<b>Standard: DESE Licensure Requirements*</b>	<b>7000</b>	<b>7010</b>	<b>7030</b>	<b>8015</b>	<b>8030</b>	<b>8100</b>	<b>8130</b>	<b>8190</b>	<b>8200</b>	<b>8205</b>	<b>8210</b>	<b>8220</b>	<b>8300</b>	<b>8705</b>	<b>8900</b>	<b>9085</b>
a. Familiarity with Curriculum Frameworks and their use in the advising responsibilities of the guidance counselor.	I										M	M	M	H		H
b. Understanding and interpretation of Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) and other academic tests results to students, teachers, and parents. Includes data literacy and analysis.	I										M	M	M			H
c. Psychology of learning.		I			M					H						H
d. Understanding of the diagnosis and treatment of learning and behavior disorders.		I				I	M		I	H			M		H	H
e. Theories of normal and abnormal intellectual, social and emotional development.		I				I		M							M	H
f. Knowledge of strategies used for the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, physical and sexual abuse, the spectrum of mental illness, and violence in PreK-12 students.	I	I				I										H
g. Philosophy, principles and practices in school guidance counseling.	I								I		M	M			H	H
h. Federal, state, municipal, and school laws and regulations.	I					I					M	M	M		H	H
i. Career counseling	I								I		M	M			H	H
j. Resources within the school system or the community for referral.	I					I			I		M	M			M	H
k. Knowledge of statistics, research design, and research in guidance counseling.	I			M									M			H
l. Group counseling and group leadership.			I											M		H
m. Development of skills for consultation with parents, teachers, and administrators.	I	I				I			M		M	M		H	H	H
n. College counseling and use of college and other post-secondary resource materials (5-12).	I								I		M					H

\*Standards based on DESE 603 CMR 7.11: Professional Support School Guidance Counselor Initial License Competencies

\*\*Codes for level of coverage: I = Introductory, M = Moderate, H = High