EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY - M.ED.

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Description
The Master of Education degree in Educational Psychology provides advanced study for students interested in the application of psychological principles to learning and instruction. It encompasses a variety of different disciplines, including cognitive psychology, human development and learning theory. Students are exposed to the latest research findings regarding how people learn most effectively and efficiently. They also apply these principles to the design of instruction, and study how to most accurately assess different types of learning.

The M.Ed. degree program is appropriate for classroom teachers, professionals in a variety of settings and students wishing to pursue graduate-level training in educational psychology.

The Educational Psychology major includes the following optional concentration.

• Students in the Gifted Education concentration will learn about gifted learners, their unique needs, and the application of educational psychological principles to the education of gifted learners.

Fully Offered At:
• Online

Admission Requirements

• Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university for unconditional admission
• Minimum 3.00 under graduate GPA on a 4.000 point scale for unconditional admission
• Official transcript(s)
• Goal statement
• Two letters of recommendation
• English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning one of the following:
  • Minimum 550 TOEFL PBT score (paper-based version)
  • Minimum 79 TOEFL IBT score (Internet-based version)
  • Minimum 77 MELAB score
  • Minimum 6.5 IELTS score
  • Minimum 58 PTE score

Additional admission requirements for the Gifted Education optional concentration:

• A valid standard teaching certificate or provisional or professional teaching license from the State of Ohio

For more information about graduate admissions, please visit the Graduate Studies admission website. For more information on international admission, visit the Office of Global Education’s admission website.

Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:
1. Describe the various schools of learning theory that have informed educators.
2. Conduct literature reviews and design empirical research to examine issues associated with how individuals learn.
3. Apply principles of human development and learning when developing and selecting educational approaches.
4. Identify best practices for maximizing student learning.
5. Demonstrate knowledge of theories and principles of learner motivation.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

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Additional Requirements or Concentrations

Choose from the following: 15-18
• Additional Requirements for Students Not Declaring a Concentration
• Gifted Education Concentration

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30-33

Additional Requirements for Students Not Declaring a Concentration

Specialty Area Electives, choose from the following: 15

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or other advisor approved electives

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 15
Gifted Education Concentration Requirements

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18

Graduation Requirements

- The M.Ed. degree requires a minimum of 30 credit hours of graduate coursework.
- No more than one-half of a graduate student’s coursework may be taken in 50000 level courses.
- Students have six years from the term of first enrollment to complete the program.