DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY – EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Meet the requirements for a doctorate in educational psychology degree at Oklahoma State University!

Educational psychology is concerned with all aspects of psychology pertaining to teaching and learning in educational settings. Educational psychologists focus on understanding how environments are structured to promote cognitive, personal and social development, as well as learning motivation. Educational psychology unites theory and research from psychology and related fields to make learning and teaching more effective and substantial, resulting in healthy human development.

Our program is designed to prepare graduates to teach in college or university settings, public education, and/or to do research in university, business and government settings.

A graduate degree is an investment in yourself and in your future!

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PROFESSIONAL GOALS
A few examples of professional goals appropriate for this degree specialization:

- A university teaching position teaching human development, learning, motivation, instructional psychology and other educational psychology courses (leadership, creativity, etc.)
- A position within a university supervising instructional and faculty development and evaluation, and conducting institutional research
- A position conducting research, evaluation and staff development for a university, research institute or school district
- A position designing training programs and conducting training research in a business, government or nonprofit institutional setting
- A position doing general administration for a university or vocational training center
- A position in a human resources development, business, government or nonprofit institutional setting
- Develop a private consulting business that works with a variety of individuals and/or organization’s challenged and issues related to human learning and development

APPLICATION DEADLINE
Admission to the program is considered once per year. The deadline is January 15.

MINIMUM BACKGROUND REQUIREMENTS

- Undergraduate GPA of at least 2.5 and a graduate GPA of at least 3.5
- GRE total score of at least 300 for two subtests of Verbal and Quantitative, with a minimum of 150 for each subtest; the Writing subtest minimum is 3.5

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION REVIEW

- GRE test score completed within the past five years
- Official transcripts for all work completed
- Three professional recommendation letters from those such as academic advisers and former professors, who can address applicant’s academic record and potential for doctoral-level work
- Statement of professional goals (about two pages) explaining how prior academic and professional experiences have prepared the applicant for doctoral-level study and how the Ph.D. program will contribute to the applicant’s goals
- Sample of high-quality professional writing: a scholarly paper the applicant has written, such as a master’s thesis, report, paper required in a graduate class, publication or other type of scholarly paper
- Current and complete résumé/vita
- TOEFL or IELTS (if required to establish English proficiency)

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