Master of Education in Educational Psychology

The College of Education at the University of Missouri–St. Louis provides the opportunity to study and work with our nationally recognized scholars as they examine how students develop and learn, and how educators can help them learn more effectively. Pursuing a master’s degree in educational psychology imparts the academic knowledge and practical experience needed to have a profound impact in students’ educational lives. Our program provides a high-impact, high-demand professional degree for those who are looking to generate a stronger competitive edge and perform better in their careers.

Graduate students may focus on educational psychology or choose from two concentrated areas of study:

- **Character and Citizenship Education** — a nationally recognized program engaging in research, education and advocacy to foster the development of character, democratic citizenship and civil society

- **Educational Research and Program Evaluation** — delving into the psychological foundations of education while developing expertise in evaluation strategies to assess program effectiveness; facilitate sound, data-driven decisions; and inform evidence-based policy
Program requirements

The degree requires 33 graduate credit hours comprised of 15 hours of courses in educational foundations and research methods, 15 hours in concentrated electives [in educational psychology, character and citizenship education, or educational research and program evaluation], and a three-hour capstone experience [field work, internship or thesis]. The total may include up to six hours of graduate-level courses from other disciplines approved by your graduate adviser.

The career options for those with this degree include:

- Faculty or other teaching positions in higher education
- Managerial or specialist positions in education, training, testing or educational research and evaluation

The Master of Education in Educational Psychology is an affordable opportunity for graduate students to gain a wide range of academic knowledge and practical experience within the field, as well as supporting a student’s efforts to pursue a doctoral degree.

The College of Education at the University of Missouri–St. Louis

Our graduate students have access to 14 endowed professors in various aspects of education and educational leadership, and benefit from working with some of the most well-respected scholars in the country. Our faculty members are nationally known for their scholarship and expertise. Many have written textbooks used at universities around the country. In addition, many of our educators visit St. Louis area schools on a regular basis. They know the real world of the classroom and the latest research in their field.

UMSL at a glance

The University of Missouri–St. Louis is a public research university located in Missouri’s most populous and economically important region. Founded in 1963, UMSL is the largest university in the St. Louis area. We enroll nearly 17,000 students, and we’re home to more than 1,400 faculty members.

St. Louis: Something for everyone

UMSL is a vital part of St. Louis, and the city and surrounding areas make up the most culturally vibrant region in Missouri. That means we offer you more than a top-ranked learning environment.

There’s a night out with friends on Washington Avenue. An exhibit opening at the Saint Louis Art Museum. A Saturday afternoon at the Saint Louis Zoo. A home-run celebration at Busch Stadium.

St. Louis is a place where you can be you.