



## The **Educational Specialist** in **School Psychology**

**Help all students succeed by creating safe and supportive schools.**

School psychologists have one of the most crucial roles in our education system today, working with educators, parents and other mental health professionals to ensure that every student's academic and emotional needs are met in a safe, healthy and supportive environment. The Educational Specialist in School Psychology degree program at the University of Missouri–St. Louis, with its specialized training in both psychology and education, can help you succeed in this important position and create positive, rewarding school experiences for all.

### **Educational Specialist in School Psychology**

The EdS in School Psychology degree program at the University of Missouri-St. Louis is the only National Association of School Psychologists-accredited specialist level program in the state of Missouri. This degree is designed to prepare future school psychologists to be data-based problem solvers and to assume a wide array of professional roles in schools. Particular attention is placed upon interventions and educational outcomes within a cognitive-behavioral theoretical perspective, as well as emphasizing data-based decision-making, educational and psychological treatment outcomes, social justice, program development and evaluation, and facilitation of organizational/system change.

The EdS in School Psychology at UMSL is a small cohort program consisting of 10-12 candidates per cohort. This helps to maximize close relationships with faculty and field-based supervisors to develop professional skills and competencies. The program consists of 60 credit hours and includes coursework in psychological and educational foundations, psychoeducational assessment, and direct and indirect service delivery. Prevention and early intervention of academic, behavioral and social-emotional problems through consultation, interdisciplinary collaboration and systems-level interventions are also highlighted throughout the program. What's more, graduates of the program are immediately eligible for School Psychologist Certification from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Nationally Certified School Psychologist credential from the National Association of School Psychologists.

## Prepare for an ever-changing world.

The College of Education at UMSL offers a variety of programs that lead to exciting and rewarding career opportunities. Our faculty, staff and community partners are committed to providing experiences that build the knowledge and skills needed for individuals to be successful in multiple educational settings and occupations. These careers include teachers, principals and district superintendents; educators and administrators for organizations like museums, zoos and nature centers; counselors and mental health professionals for schools, hospitals, corporate employee assistance programs, clinics and private settings; and postsecondary leaders and instructors for community colleges, career technical schools and four-year colleges and universities.

The college also hosts many projects and initiatives that enhance student experiences in our programs, and works with more than 50 public and private schools and institutions throughout the region.

## Serious education. Serious value.

The EdS in School Psychology is designed to provide specialized knowledge, skills and training in a flexible format. You'll learn from highly qualified educators and researchers who hold terminal degrees from some of the world's most prestigious academic institutions.

The University of Missouri–St. Louis provides the knowledge, resources, tools, skills and support students need to be successful in our programs. Our comprehensive student support services include workshops, tutoring and career services to help you develop skills and strategies to be successful in the classroom and beyond. We're also committed to increasing access to higher education, which is why UMSL is consistently ranked number one in affordability in the St. Louis region.

**Learn more at [coe.umsl.edu](https://coe.umsl.edu)**

The University of Missouri–St. Louis is the largest public research university located in Missouri's most populous and economically important region. UMSL provides high-quality, affordable education to one of the most diverse student bodies in the state. No university is better connected to the surrounding region than UMSL. More than 75% of our graduates stay in St. Louis. The region needs well-equipped, skilled education professionals, and UMSL is prepared to help you meet those needs. Choose the University of Missouri–St. Louis for School Psychology.

## Career Pathways

School Psychologist

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