



## The **Doctor of Philosophy** in **Education, Emphasis in Educational Psychology**

### **Take the science of learning to the highest level.**

There is still so much to learn about how people actually learn. For example, what influences a person's ability to retain information? Do we all process information in the same way? Does technology, media, culture, age or trauma influence a person's ability to learn? The Doctor of Philosophy in Education, Emphasis in Educational Psychology program at the University of Missouri–St. Louis delves deeply into these issues by applying psychological science to improve learning processes and promote educational success.

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UMSL provides a unique platform for students to pursue a doctorate in educational psychology. After completing the program's foundational courses, candidates can choose additional courses based upon their own interests to build their knowledge and skills by focusing on what they are interested in learning and doing in their current and future careers.

Of course, you may choose to practice as an educational psychologist upon completion of your degree. You may decide to work to develop and implement educational programs or help teachers create classroom curricula that enhance learning processes. You may prefer to work directly with families and children, with groups of people or with agencies and other organizations. You can also use your degree to teach at the college or university level, or to perform educational research to examine learning processes throughout all stages of life. With a PhD Emphasis in Educational Psychology from UMSL, your options are many and varied...all focused on helping others learn to succeed.

The PhD Emphasis in Educational Psychology program consists of a minimum of 90 hours of graduate coursework, including foundation courses (9-12 hours), research methods (15-18 hours), primary discipline courses (27-33 hours), and secondary discipline courses (12-15 hours). In addition, students must take a 3-hour exit course, complete a research internship and dissertation research.

## Preparing 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 to 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; teachers and administrators for informal education 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 centers and initiatives that enhance student experiences in our programs, and works with more than 35 public, private and charter schools throughout the region, as well as sponsoring eight charter schools.

## Serious education. Serious value.

The PhD in Education, Emphasis in Educational Psychology degree 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](http://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 educational psychology.

## Career Pathways

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