PSYCHOLOGY/SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY, M.S.

The Master’s Degree in Psychology program (M.S.) is a 30-credit graduate course of study, which is required for admission into the Education Specialist (Ed.S.) Program in School Psychology. The M.S. program will provide the foundational theories, knowledge, and research methods of psychology, which will serve as a base for the Ed.S. in School Psychology. The program is fully approved by the National Association of School Psychology. Upon completion of the specified 30 credit hours of coursework, a M.S. in Psychology, School Psychology, is awarded. This M.S. degree in Psychology, School, does not certify the candidate for practice as a school psychologist in public schools. Following successful completion of the M.S. program, candidates continue to earn 34 additional credits, which includes a 1200-hour internship. The candidate then earns an Ed.S. in School Psychology and is recommended for certification as a school psychologist to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Students may also transfer graduate coursework or a master’s degree in psychology or a related area into the program. When that is the case, a review of previous work will be conducted to determine which competencies have been met and the remaining program requirements.