EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Graduate Program Head  Peggy Van Meter
Program Code          EDPSY
Campus(es)            University Park (Ph.D., M.S.)
Degrees Conferred     Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)
                      Master of Science (M.S.)
                      Dual-Title Ph.D. and M.S. in
                      Educational Psychology and
                      Comparative and International
                      Education
The Graduate Faculty  View (https://
                      secure.gradsch.psu.edu/gpms/?
                      searchType=fac&prog=EDPSY)

The graduate program in Educational Psychology focuses on the study of
learning, instruction, and measurement across the life span. The learning
and instruction emphasis applies the study of cognitive psychology to
research on learning and instruction in applied settings like schools.
The course of study provides a strong foundation in psychological
theory, principles related to instructional applications, and quantitative
methodology. The measurement emphasis applies cognitive psychology
and theories of measurement to test design, instrument construction,
scale analysis, and measurement theory. The Educational Psychology
program emphasizes the use of rigorous quantitative methodology in
the scientific study of learning, instruction, and measurement in applied
settings. Typically this program prepares individuals for professions in
universities, research institutions, government agencies, and industry.
Individuals interested in more clinical applications of psychology, such
as counseling psychology or school psychology should contact those
specific graduate programs in the University.