Department of School Counseling and School Psychology

The Department of School Counseling and School Psychology (https://www.apu.edu/education/counselingpsych/) offers adult learners academic and practical preparation for careers in school counseling and school psychology. The department provides coursework and supervises fieldwork leading to the Master of Arts in Education: Educational Counseling; the Master of Arts in Education: Educational and Clinical Counseling; the Educational Specialist in School Psychology with Embedded Master of Arts in Education: Educational Psychology; the Educational Specialist in School Psychology: Clinical and Educationally Related Mental Health Counseling with Embedded Master of Arts in Education: Educational Psychology; and the Educational Specialist in School Psychology: Applied Behavior Analysis with Embedded Master of Arts in Education: Educational Psychology. In addition, the department offers a credential-only program for those who hold a master's degree and PPS Credential in School Counseling and wish to seek an additional PPS Credential in School Psychology, or vice versa. The department also offers an Applied Behavioral Analysis specialization (BCBA Certificate) and a Clinical and Educationally Related Mental Health Counseling specialization.

Student Dispositional Expectations

All candidates in the Department of School Counseling and School Psychology will be evaluated on their professional attitudes, values, and beliefs demonstrated through both verbal and nonverbal behaviors as educators interact with students, families, colleagues, and communities. These positive behaviors support student learning and development. All candidates will be evaluated by faculty with regard to student dispositions throughout their program; any candidate who does not meet minimal expectations with regard to student dispositions will be required to meet with the department chair or the chair's designee to develop an improvement plan. Students who fail to meet the remedial dispositional requirements will be evaluated for fitness to practice in the profession.