Department of Teaching and Learning

Master’s Degree (M.Ed.)
in Social Foundations of Education: Educational Psychology

Information Sheet

The Master's Degree in Social Foundations of Education: Educational Psychology provides an opportunity for students to earn a 36-credit degree, with 30 graduate hours. The degree does not lead to certification in any area, but allows students to specialize in the application of psychology in educational settings by examining theoretical and applied aspects of learning and cognition, human development, motivation, human personality, and other psychological principles. Please be advised that you can take no more than 1/3 of the credits in this program as a non-degree student before being officially admitted. If you have questions about any of the course work before being admitted, please email the Department of Teaching and Learning at DeptTeachLearn@fau.edu.

Advisement: An advisor will be assigned upon acceptance to the program. The Program of Study is to be done together with your advisor on the forms available through the Graduate College.

Core Courses: 3 credits

Choose one of the following courses (all 3 credits):
- EDG 5705 Multicultural Education (Dept. of Curriculum, Culture, and Ed. Inquiry), or
- EDF 6887 Foundations of Multicultural Curriculum (Dept. of Curriculum, Culture and Ed. Inquiry), or
- EME 6601 Instructional Design

Area of Specialization Courses: 15 credits

Take all of the following courses:
- EDF 3210 Applied Learning Theory
- EDF 3430 Educational Measurement and Evaluation (Dept. of Educational Leadership)
- EDF 6142 Thinking Processes and Styles
- EDF 6229 Educational Psychology
- EDF 6339 Concepts of Self

Research/Statistics Courses: 6 credits (Department of Educational Leadership)

Take both of the following:
- STA 6113 Educational Statistics (should be taken prior to or concurrently with EDF 6481)
- EDF 6481 Educational Research (prerequisite or co-requisite: STA 6113)
Elective Courses: 12 credits at the 5000-level or above

Take 4 electives approved by the Program Advisor. You must take at least 18 credits at the 6000 level or above during the course of your program. At least half of your courses must be in a single concentration.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the Master's Degree in Social Foundations of Education: Educational Psychology program requires submission of the graduate application form. You will find information about the application process at http://www.fau.edu/graduate/. You must complete the actual graduate application online. In addition, in order to be considered for the Degree Program, you must submit all of the following documentation to Florida Atlantic University:

1. Official transcripts of all undergraduate coursework.

2. A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores.

The admission decision is based on one of the following:

- A grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better in all work attempted while registered as an upper division student working for a baccalaureate degree.

- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) test score of 154 (verbal) and 144 (quantitative). For GRE exams taken prior to August 1, 2011, a minimum combined score of 1000 (quantitative and verbal). GRE scores must not be more than 5 years old (unless age of score is waived by petition submitted with application).

- A graduate degree from a regionally accredited institution.

Both transcripts and GRE are required.

All College of Education Programs are approved by the Florida Department of Education and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Please keep and consult the Florida Atlantic University catalog from the semester that you were admitted to the program, for more details regarding your program.

Once admitted into the master’s degree program, you must:

- Register for at least one course in the semester to which you are admitted.