SPECIALIST DEGREE IN SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY

The Specialist Degree in School Psychology is designed to produce effective independent providers of psychological services within the schools. Completion of the degree program also prepares students for further graduate study and/or junior college teaching. This program is fully approved by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP), and graduates are eligible for licensure as a Licensed Specialist in School Psychology in Texas and the Nationally Certified School Psychologist credential provided by NASP.

Graduates may also choose to seek licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) following a small amount of additional coursework and further supervised experience.

This degree program includes a minimum of 60 graduate credit hours, 54 of which are typically taken full-time and year round for two consecutive years, followed by an academic year of full-time internship experience (6 credit hours). Students will gain 300+ hours of practicum experience prior to the internship and are license eligible immediately upon graduation. Internship placements are competitive, but our program boasts a 100% intern employment rate, with most students acquiring paid internship placements.

Applicants seeking admission to the school psychology program must submit the following directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions:

1. Graduate Application (http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html)
2. Application fee (http://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-studies/application-fee.html)
3. Official transcript(s) of all previous college work
4. Official GRE scores
5. Three letters of recommendation preferably from faculty in the student’s major at the undergraduate degree-granting institution
6. Personal statement

Applicants should have at least eighteen undergraduate hours of psychology which should include a course in research methods and a course in statistics. An undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or higher is required.

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**Electives**

Select one graduate course in PSYC, COUN or EDAD in consultation with the Graduate Advisor  

| Total Hours | 60 |

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1. PSYC 6371 is taken twice for 6 hours (PSYC 6371A and PSYC 6371B).