EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY, PH.D.

The University of Alabama Educational Psychology Program admits candidates to the master’s (MA), educational specialist (EdS), doctor of education (EdD) and PhD graduate degree programs. The mission of the program is to provide students with a thorough understanding of the theory and research related to learners, learning and developmental processes. All degree programs reflect this mission and prepare students for careers as faculty members within academic settings, researchers in agencies or businesses and school practitioners. The program invites applications from all potential students, especially those in underrepresented populations.

The PhD is an advanced research degree and is designed specifically for students interested in careers within academic and research settings. PhD students may choose specializations in:

a. learning and motivation,
b. human development, or
c. educational neuroscience.

The human development specialization is offered in collaboration with the Department of Human Development and Family Studies in the College of Human Environmental Sciences.

Admission Requirements
Statement of purpose and letters of recommendation consistent with goals of the program, GRE score of 300 or above and a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale are needed for regular admission. Prospective students are encouraged to complete their applications by January 15 for admission the following fall.

See the Admission Criteria section of this catalog for more information.

Degree Requirements
Doctoral degrees require 72 or more hours beyond the master’s.

Additional information is in the Degree Requirements section of this catalog.