Masters in Educational Psychology  
Specialization in Developmental & Learning Sciences  
Applied Track  
(approved by the DLS Faculty, 10 April 2012, revised 2014)

The DLS program represents the theoretical core of the Department of Educational Psychology. Other programs focus on methodology (QQPM) or preparation for specific professional roles (counseling and school psychology). Although virtually all areas of psychological theory and research are potentially relevant to education, the program sees the psychological study of cognition, learning, and development as particularly crucial. Accordingly, we prepare students with broad understanding of cognitive, educational, and developmental psychology and focused expertise on specific topics important to education.

**Core Courses (12 hours)**

- EDPS 850 or 851: Child or Adolescent Development (3)
- EDPS 854: Cognition and Instruction (or Learning) (3)
- EDPS 960 or 966: Problem Solving and Concept Learning or Psych. of Learning (3)
- EDPS 961 or 962: Cognitive Development or Personality and Social Development (3)

**Additional Coursework in Developmental & Learning Sciences  
(at least 6 hours)**

At least two courses from the following:

- Additional core courses from list above (beyond 12 hour minimum)
- EDPS 855: Teaching Learners to Learn (3)
- EDPS 967: Motivation (3)
- EDPS 963: Developmental Psychobiology (3)
- EDPS 989: Psychology of Reading and Writing (3)
- EDPS 9XX: Lifespan Developmental Psychology (3)
- EDPS 921: Creativity and Talent Development (3)
- Other appropriate courses approved by the adviser

**Methods (at least 6 hours)**

At least 3 hours of statistics and 3 hours of measurement, evaluation, and/or research design/methodology. May include:

- EDPS 859 Statistical Methods (3)
- EDPS 870 Introduction to Educational Measurement and Evaluation (3)
EDPS 800 Introduction to Research Methods

**Additional requirements**

Applied courses appropriate for specialization or student goals
Practicum or other experience (usually at least 3 hours)
Coverage of ethics and human diversity (course or equivalent)

*Total must be at least 36 hours (including at least 18 graduate-only).*