Graduate Application Checklist—Ph.D. in School Psychology
Deadline December 1

BEFORE YOU APPLY:
The Department of Educational Studies requires that you upload all application documents (including copies of official transcripts) with your online application. The only exceptions are official test scores (which are sent electronically from the testing center) and electronic letters of recommendation (which are submitted by the recommender after the application is submitted).

Please see our Prospective Student web page go.osu.edu/esprospective for helpful tips to prepare your application. Pay close attention to information about uploading transcripts and preparing to have your recommendation letters submitted electronically.

School Psychology Ph.D. application is due on December 1 for fall admission the following year.

CHECKLIST:

☐ Apply online. Follow the link to “Find Your Program” at gpadmissions.osu.edu. The application opens after August 1. Application fees are non-refundable. *Fee only applies to students new to Ohio State.

☐ Transcripts. One original copy of transcripts from each university-level school attended should be uploaded.

☐ Statement of purpose. See page 2 for instructions on writing your statement of intent.

☐ Curriculum vitae/resume.

☐ Official GRE scores. Send to institution code 1592 only. GRE Scores are required of all Ph.D. applicants.

☐ Letters of recommendation. Three letters from individuals who have personal and supervisory or academic knowledge of your capabilities. Letters must be submitted electronically by your recommenders. Provide their name and a valid email address as part of the application process. Follow the directions included in the application. At least one letter should be from a previous professor.

No writing sample is required.

INTRA UNIVERSITY TRANSFERS:

IF you previously enrolled as a degree seeking graduate student at Ohio State, you will submit a Transfer of Graduate Program application. The application can be found at gpadmissions.osu.edu/apply/grad.html. Choose the application type that best suits your current situation and then choose Intra-University Transfer. Upload all the documents listed above into your online application. If a copy of your previous academic file is available, please have that department send it to EdStudies@osu.edu. If your transcripts and your GRE scores are included in your previous file, you do not need to submit new copies. You DO need to submit transcripts for any coursework completed since leaving your previous program.

QUESTIONS: EdStudies@osu.edu or 614-688-4007
DEADLINE DATES:
December 1 for admission to Autumn Semester
Late applications will not be accepted

Statement of Purpose
(1-3 pages)
In lieu of a statement of intent, we request that you answer the following questions. We are requesting that you respond to all questions, type and single space the document and limit your response to no more than three pages. Although the purpose of the statement is for the faculty to gain information on you as a student, we will also use it as a writing sample.

1. Why do you want to become a school psychologist?
2. Why are you interested in the Ohio State University School Psychology program?
3. Describe your experiences with children.
4. Describe your experiences and interest in working with diverse and urban populations.
5. Describe your experiences in school settings.
6. Describe your research experiences and interests.
7. What do you value in an advisor?
8. At this time, identify which faculty member you would like as an advisor and why?
9. Describe yourself as a student including both strengths and weaknesses.
10. The program is committed to promoting wellness within the program as well as for those we impact in our work. What do you do to promote wellness in your life?
11. What would you like to do after graduating with a degree in school psychology?
12. What additional information do you want us to know about you?

Application Reminders

1. Be sure to check out our prospective student web page for more application tips, including a step-by-step guide to filling out the online application.
2. Once you have filled out and paid for an application (new applicants only), you can check your application status online at osu.edu click on Future Students then Application Status. Please note: it can take up to 48 hours for the system to reflect changes made to your application (i.e.—receipt of materials). Remember, you are responsible for monitoring the status of your application. If items are not received by the published deadline, your application will not be reviewed.
3. Make sure you give a complete list of the colleges and universities you have attended on your application. If an institution is listed on another transcript and you did not list that institution on your application, you are still required to send transcripts from the places you failed to list. Requesting late transcripts can hinder or halt the processing of your application.
4. Please email our office (EdStudies@osu.edu) to let us know if your name has changed (e.g. from name at birth to married name) since the last time you attended a college or university.
5. Email is not a secure form of communication. NEVER include your social security number when corresponding via email, including when you are sending in requested materials.

NOTE: Application to the School Psychology Program is a two-step process. After completed applications are reviewed, selected applicants will be invited to an in-person interview. Interviews typically take place in late February or early March.

Graduate Funding

1. Apply for College Scholarships on the College Scholarship and Student Enrichment website at ehe.osu.edu/scholarships/. Watch the website for deadlines.
2. The Office of Student Financial Aid administers loan and work-study programs that provide possible sources of support for eligible graduate students. Visit the Student Financial Aid website at sfa.osu.edu for further details.
3. Graduate Assistantships (GA) are available for PhD students. If you are interested in funding, please apply for a position here and contact your faculty advisor so they are aware of your interest. Students awarded a GA position funded by the College of Education and Human Ecology will be required to have minimum GRE scores: 50th percentile or higher with no score below the 35th percentile. Assistantships funded by non-college funds may not require minimum scores. We cannot guarantee funding to all PhD students.

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Contact: Graduate School
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