

Comprehensive Examination

Ed.S. Comprehensive Examination Policy

All Ed.S. School Psychology students must take and pass the National School Psychology Examination. In preparing to do so, the following steps should be followed.

1. The student's plan of study must be submitted to and approved by the Graduate School prior to the beginning of the Comprehensive Examination Process.
2. The student meets with his or her advisor to discuss the appropriate semester in which to complete the Comprehensive Exam requirement (i.e., National School Psychology Exam). Although there is no specific coursework requirement, students will need to have completed the majority of their coursework in order to successfully complete their comprehensive exams. The advisor requests that the student complete the Permission to Take Written Comprehensives Form. The advisor and the student must sign the form a semester before the student would like to complete the written comprehensive examination. A copy of the completed form needs to be submitted to the major advisor and the School administrative assistant (to be filed in the student's permanent file). Information about the exam, registration materials and sample questions are available at www.ets.org/praxis. Additionally, study materials are available in the DML. The School Psychology Exam is under Praxis II and is test 10400.
3. There is no specific date for when you must take the National School Psychology Exam, but you must have passed the exam (a score 660 or above is required) prior to graduating. All students are required to submit to the School Psychology Program intern coordinator the School administrative assistant their National School Psychology exam scores (sometimes called the NASP exam) as soon as they receive them (typically 6 to 8 weeks after the exam is completed). It is the student's responsibility to ensure that these scores are received. Please note that having School Psychology exam scores sent to UNC does **NOT** mean they will be received in APCE. Rather, you will need to make photocopies of the printout (both overall score and individual area scores) you receive and give those to us. When the School Psychology exam scores have been received, the administrative assistant will either submit a pass of the written comprehensives to the Graduate School or will withhold submission of examination results until the student has achieved a passing score.



**Permission to Take Written Comprehensive Examination
School Psychology Programs**

Name: _____ Bear #: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ Advisor: _____

e-mail _____

Degree and Program (circle one): EdS PhD

Semester of Examination:

School Psychology Exam (EdS & PhD) _____

In-house written exam (PhD only) _____

Declared Area of Expertise (doctoral students only):

Advisor Signature: _____

Additional Criteria:

_____ Plan of Study on file at the Graduate School (EdS & PhD)

_____ Doctoral committee approved by the Graduate School (PhD only)

http://www.unco.edu/grad/forms/forms_students.htm