

Individuals interested in applying to this program should obtain and complete a School Psychology Respecialization Program application by contacting:

The Office of Extended Studies
Michener L50, Campus Box 21
(907) 351-2944

Or online at:

<http://www.unco.edu/center/es/main/index.htm>

The completed application consists of a two-part process:

- ✉ Send a completed graduate application, two official transcripts from all prior educational programs and \$50 fee to UNC (<http://www.unco.edu/grad/admissions/home.htm>)
- ✉ Write in that you are applying for the School Psychology, Endorsement Only program

Send your completed application folio to the Respecialization Program (address at your right)

- ✉ A current resume/vita
- ✉ A copy of a current Colorado License in Psychology (or letter indicating eligibility)
- ✉ A letter of support from a school administrator on your behalf
- ✉ Documentation of coursework and experiences associated with the competencies listed (see reverse).

Completed application folios must be received by August 15th, 2007. Only completed applications will be reviewed. Admission decisions are made one time per year. Application folios will be reviewed by a faculty panel who will decide which competencies have met program requirements. If you are accepted into the respecialization program, an individual "Program of Study" will then be proposed.

Respecialization candidates will typically need to register for and successfully complete four UNC courses and a supervised internship in School Psychology. All candidates will also be expected to obtain a passing score on the National School Psychology exam administered by ETS/Praxis.

Other UNC course requirements will depend on the documentation provided by each candidate demonstrating competencies in all areas as described inside this brochure.

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This program is designed to provide a documented program of respecialization for qualified Colorado licensed psychologists who would like to obtain a permanent Colorado Department of Education—School Psychology License. It will be offered through the UNC Office of Extended Studies as part of the statewide coordinated program of off-campus instruction authorized by and in compliance with policies of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education.

In accordance with the Educator Licensing Act of 1991, amended in 2002, this program will only be available to psychologists who currently hold licensure (or are eligible for licensure) in the state of Colorado.

Upon successful completion of a documented plan of study (as outlined in this brochure), students will receive an institutional recommendation verifying that the candidate has met the educational and experience competencies and requirements for practicing as a School Psychologist in the state of Colorado. Only CDE can issue a final School Psychology License. Students will have to apply to CDE to obtain this license.



School Psychology Respecialization Program Requirements

All students accepted into this program will:

1. Document graduate courses demonstrating the following competencies:

The competencies outlined below are consistent with those required by CDE and the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). These competencies may only be demonstrated through prior graduate level courses and associated assessment casework that has occurred with child or adolescent populations. Deficiencies in any of these areas will necessitate enrollment in designated UNC courses. Please send official transcripts, course syllabi, and case reports to document completion of these competencies.

- Human Learning
- Formal and Informal Assessment including cognitive, social-emotional, and behavioral
- Typical and Atypical Development
- Individual Diversity
- General Education, Special Education and Other Educational Related Services
- Evidence-Based Intervention Programs
- Consultation & Collaboration
- Legal & Professional Issues
- Program/Intervention Evaluation

2. Enroll in and obtain a B or better in the following courses:

Although we create an individualized program for each applicant, we have found that a typical program of study for individuals who have completed doctoral level Clinical or Counseling Psychology programs. However,

if an individual can demonstrate previous coursework in these areas, the corresponding coursework will be waived as appropriate. All courses will be offered in a condensed format including weekends and online.

- **PPSY 763:** Legal and Professional Foundations in School Psychology (4 credit hours, both online and in class)
- **PPSY 660:** Psychological Consultation: Theory and Practice (3 credit hours, taken in the fall in conjunction with internship)
- **EDSE 616:** Evidence-Based Literacy Strategies (3 credit hours, online)
- **PPSY 676:** Assessment for Intervention: Infant and Toddler (3 credit hours)
- **PPSY 789:** School Psychology Internship (3-6 credit hours). This is a 1200 hour supervised experience in a school setting. An internship may be completed while employed under an intern license with a school district if appropriate supervisory standards are met.

Up to half the internship hours may be waived if the candidate can demonstrate successful completion of an APA-approved doctoral level internship supervised by a licensed psychologist and encompassing similar experience as those outlined in the NASP guidelines.

3. Pass the National School Psychology Examination (ETS/Praxis #40)

This exam is offered several times a year and is a CDE licensing requirement for all School Psychologists in the state.
