The College of Education’s Department of Educational Psychology and Special Education (EPSE) offers several fellowships for full-time doctoral students. Doctoral fellows are supported for up to four years, receive up to $30,000 per year, a full tuition waiver, funding for travel to two conferences, and access to funding for dissertation research. These awards allow doctoral students the opportunity to expand their knowledge and pursue research interests related to the application of psychology principles to the study of education, or work with people of all ages with behavioral and learning disabilities, communication disorders and multiple and severe disabilities.

Competitive Doctoral Fellowships in Educational Psychology and Special Education

Educational Psychology and Special Education Research Fellowship

Department- and college-level fellowships are aimed at developing future leaders and leading researchers in the fields of communication disorders, educational psychology or special education. Doctoral students will have the opportunity to work closely with 21 esteemed educational psychology and special education faculty and be part of interdisciplinary research teams in the department, college and university. Fellows are strongly encouraged and guided in presenting and publishing work at national and international levels.

Language and Literacy Graduate Research Fellowship

Fellows are part of a university-wide interdisciplinary research initiative focused on understanding the challenges faced by children and adults who have difficulty acquiring language and/or literacy and creating new interventions to address those challenges. Current research projects include language and literacy of African-American children, deaf and hard-of-hearing children, adult and adolescent struggling readers, children receiving early intervention support, and adolescents in the juvenile justice system and alternative schools.

Contact Information

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About the Department of Educational Psychology and Special Education

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Educational Psychology Program
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