

Specialist in School Psychology SSP

The School Psychology program at Texas A&M University-Commerce prepares students for attainment of a Specialist in School Psychology (SSP) degree. The current specialist degree program is consistent with the requirements published by the Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists for the Licensed Specialist in School Psychology (LSSP) and has been granted national approval from the National Association of School Psychologist (NASP).

Specialist in School Psychology - Option I Thesis

Psychological Foundations (15 semester hours)

PSY 503	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSY 505	Introduction to Educational Psychology	3
PSY 507	Pharmaco-therapy	3
PSY 545	Developmental Psychology	3
PSY 672	Multicultural Issues and Diversity in Assessment and Therapy	3

Educational Foundations (6 semester hours)

SPED 528	Special Education Law	3
SPED 540	Assessment and Interventions for Social Communication Impairments	3

Intervention/Problem Solving (21 semester hours)

PSY 535	Applied Behavior Analysis	3
PSY 573	Intellectual Assessment I (SSP grade of B or better)	3
PSY 520	Cognitive Behavior Therapy in Clinical Practice	3
PSY 576	Psychological Assessment of Children & Adolescents (SSP grade of B or better)	3
SPED 574	Principles of Psycho-Educational Assessment (SSP grade of B or better)	3
PSY 615	Psychological Principles of Consultation & Supervision	3
PSY 635	School Based Interventions	3

Statistics & Research Methodologies (9 semester hours)

PSY 518	Thesis (6 semester hours required)	3-6
Only 6 semester hours of credit for 518 per degree will be given upon satisfactory completion of the requirement		
PSY 612	Psy Ed Statistics	3

Professional School Psychology (3 semester hours)

PSY 506	Professional School Psy	3
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Practicum & Internship (12 semester hours)

PSY 691	Clinical Practicum in Psychology (Repeat twice for 6 semester hours)	3
PSY 790	Internship in School Psychology (Repeat twice for 6 semester hours)	3

Total Hours		66
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Specialist in School Psychology - Option II Non-Thesis

Psychological Foundations (15 semester hours)

PSY 503	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSY 505	Introduction to Educational Psychology	3
PSY 507	Pharmaco-therapy	3
PSY 545	Developmental Psychology	3
PSY 672	Multicultural Issues and Diversity in Assessment and Therapy	3

Educational Foundations (6 semester hours)

SPED 528	Special Education Law	3
SPED 540	Assessment and Interventions for Social Communication Impairments	3

Intervention/Problem Solving (21 semester hours)

PSY 535	Applied Behavior Analysis	3
PSY 573	Intellectual Assessment I (SSP grade of B or better)	3
PSY 520	Cognitive Behavior Therapy in Clinical Practice	3
PSY 576	Psychological Assessment of Children & Adolescents (SSP grade of B or better)	3
PSY 615	Psychological Principles of Consultation & Supervision	3

PSY 635	School Based Interventions	3
SPED 574	Principles of Psycho-Educational Assessment (SSP grade of B or better)	3
Statistics & Research Methodologies (9 semester hours)		
PSY 595	Research Literature & Techniques (3 semester hours required)	3
PSY 605	Single Subject Designs	3
PSY 612	Psy Ed Statistics	3
Professional School Psychology (3 semester hours)		
PSY 506	Professional School Psy	3
Practicum & Internship (12 semester hours)		
PSY 691	Clinical Practicum in Psychology (Repeat twice for 6 semester hours)	3
PSY 790	Internship in School Psychology (Repeat twice for 6 semester hours)	3
Total Hours		66

Note: Successful completion of the Comprehensive Exam is required of all students.