

Why school psychology?

School psychology offers individuals an opportunity to work within educational and mental health settings addressing the challenges faced by our children in K-12 that may impede them from reaching their full academic, social-emotional, and behavioral potential for success.



School Psychology at Indiana University

Indiana University School Psychology program prepares educational leaders who are committed to improving outcomes for *all* students in today's changing schools.

Program Mission:

The program is an **APA-accredited** and **NASP approved** program that prepares its graduates to integrate research and practice to help solve problems associated with the personal, social and educational development of children and youth from all cultural, economic, racial and ethnic backgrounds.

Students in the program are also prepared to take an active role in restructuring organizations and systems that serve children, to advocate for educational equity for students from groups that have been traditionally underserved, and to contribute to the knowledge base in psychology.

Diversity in School Psychology: Meeting the Challenge

IU's program acknowledges the diversity of the students and families across the nation and are committed to training a pool of dedicated professionals to serve in a pluralistic society. In efforts to prepare future experts committed to equity in education and mental health IU's program would like to:

- 1) *increase their number of under-represented groups to be more representative of both racial and ethnic demographics in the nation and*
- 2) *prepare students dedicated to serving a diverse youth population historically marked with educational inequities.*

We are dedicated to increasing the representation in our program of traditionally under-represented groups, especially students of color in our program. In particular we are looking for students who are interested in graduate study in psychology who have a strong personal commitment to addressing issues of equity in education.



Students attend National Association of School Psychologists Conference.

In addition, we are prepared to provide our students with opportunities to increase their understanding of major research and practitioner challenges of the school psychology field in serving a diverse youth population. Opportunities for development are offered through a variety of research and practicum settings.

Training Opportunities

- **Research training opportunities in educational equity, school discipline, and school violence prevention**
- **Practicum opportunities in large metropolitan areas serving diverse student populations are available**
- **International practicum opportunities to work with students and families in cross-cultural context in Latin America**



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"I chose school psychology with one major goal in mind, to give each child an equal opportunity to succeed and I believe through my work I can make the goal a reality."

Jason Cuadrado Ph.D., School Psychology Student

"School psychology is a career I feel has many different facets and holds an important role in addressing the educational needs of both students and teachers, who can be successful if given the right assistance and opportunities."

Becky Peréz Ph.D., School Psychology Student

"School psychology is the perfect career for me! I get to work with children and adolescents, who have varying strengths and challenges, and teachers and families, each of whom want the best for these children. Plus, the flexibility of the school calendar will allow me to have plenty of time to spend with my family."

Amy Abell Ed.S., School Psychology Student

"School psychologists are in a unique position to collaborate with all the key players in a child's educational experience. By working with students while at the same time providing support for parents and teachers, I really feel like the connecting link between all of the factors that contribute to student success."

Elizabeth Hillman Ed.S., School Psychology Student

"School psychologists work with and advocate for children in many ways: through assessment of academic and behavioral strengths and weaknesses, through collaboration with teachers, and through communication with families. In all that we do, we have the emotional, social, and educational interests of children in mind."

Anne Trotter Ed.S., School Psychology Student

Making a Difference: A Career in School Psychology



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