COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAMS

The Division of Psychological and Educational Services (PES) offers master’s and doctoral programs in two areas: Counseling and Counseling Psychology; and School Psychology.

Programs in counseling develop knowledge and expertise for individuals for positions in Pre-K–12 schools and in mental health settings for counseling services. At the doctoral level, the Counseling Psychology program leads to academic careers in teaching and research, college counseling centers, hospitals, mental health settings, and independent psychological practice.

Programs in school psychology develop knowledge and expertise for individuals for positions in Pre-K–12 schools, for psychological services to children in health-service settings, for academic and research careers, and for independent psychological practice.

General Requirements

PES applicants must meet the general and specific program requirements described in this bulletin. An interview may also be required to reveal more about the applicant's personal and professional goals and qualifications.

All students accepted into a PES program are assigned a faculty adviser. Students, however, are responsible for meeting all requirements and deadlines for the completion of their studies in a satisfactory manner.

All Ph.D. students in the division must file for evaluation for permanent matriculation status during the semester after they have completed their first 12 to 15 credits at Fordham.

Admission to any of the PES programs also obligates students to uphold the appropriate ethical standards of the professional organizations, such as the American Psychological Association, and professions for which students are preparing.

Credit for previous graduate work may be granted depending upon its relevance to the student's program at Fordham. The following minimum number of credits must be completed in the Fordham Graduate School of Education: 54 credits for Master's in school or mental health counseling programs; 45 beyond the master’s for doctoral degree programs. With approval, students may take some of these credits in other schools of Fordham University. Exemptions from any courses will follow existing GSE procedures.

All PES students must pass a comprehensive assessment before graduation. All students should consult with their advisers regarding the timing and nature of comprehensive assessments.

Students and graduates of Fordham's counseling and counseling psychology programs are expected to be guided in their professional conduct by ethical principles, such as those described in the codes of their professional associations. They must exercise personal responsibility for continuing self-evaluation, and personal and professional development.