

Licensure: A Clarification

To be eligible to obtain a School Psychologist License in the state of Indiana, students must complete a master's, specialist, or doctoral degree in school psychology or related field with a minimum of 60 semester hours from an institution regionally accredited to offer such a degree. In order to be eligible for licensure through Ball State University, students must complete all course requirements (73 semester hours) listed in Appendix A. Because of the number of hours required, students elect to obtain either the Ed.S. or Ph.D. degree (see Ph.D. Handbook). Students also must pass the Praxis II Exam in School Psychology and demonstrate all the required competencies before being recommended for licensure.

The Ed.S. degree normally requires two years of full-time study on campus for completion of coursework and practica, plus a full-time internship during the third year.

It is highly recommended that students who do not already have Masters Degrees must complete the M.A. prior to officially enrolling for the Ed.S. or Ph.D. coursework. Exceptional students may be admitted to both the M.A. and Ed.S. or M.A. and Ph.D. programs at the time of their initial application. These students become eligible to officially enroll for the Ed.S. or Ph.D. programs without making further application as long as they maintain appropriate progress.

This Handbook was designed primarily for easy access by current students of the program.

More complete information about the university, admissions procedures, most supporting documents, program faculty, etc. may be found at the departmental (<http://www.bsu.edu/edpsych>) and school psychology (<http://www.bsu.edu/web/schpsych>) websites.

The terms *program* or *programs* in this publication apply to the M.A. (Master of Arts) and Ed.S. (Specialist in Education) Program in School Psychology. A separate Handbook is available for the Ph.D. Program.

This publication is not intended to replace but rather to supplement the *Ball State University Graduate Catalog*

<http://www.bsu.edu/gradschool/catalog.htm>

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