
Educational Psychology Program Handbook

PhD and Certificate Programs

Welcome

Welcome to the Educational Psychology program at UNLV! In our program, we offer three doctoral degree options: 1) Educational Psychology, 2) Learning Sciences, Educational Psychology and Law. PhD programs prepare students to become independent scholars who are able to make significant contributions to knowledge in specialized areas. We also offer advanced graduate certificates in qualitative and mixed methods research. We are excited you have chosen to help shape the future of education through your study at UNLV. This handbook is to serve as a guide on your journey.

- 1) The Foundations strand with the Ph.D. provides opportunity for specialization in assessment, learning and cognition, program evaluation, research, and learning in school domains is designed to enable students to become independent scholars who are able to make significant contributions to knowledge in the discipline of educational psychology. The focus of the program is on the assessment and understanding of learning outcomes and in a variety of learning environments and in those environments in ways that promote more effective learning.
- 2) The Ph.D. program in the Learning Sciences is designed to enable students to conduct research and evaluate learning environments, including but not limited to technology-based environments. The focus of the program is on the design, assessment and understanding of learning environments and of the organizational and educational systems in which they are embedded. Data analytics and

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writing to resumes, and we can work with you at any stage of the writing process. You can brainstorm, make an outline, work on your drafts, or just be a sounding board for your ideas. Our staff can assist you in person at the [Online Writing Lab \(OWL\)](#).

University Policies and Procedures

Graduate students are responsible for knowing and acting in accordance with UNLV Policies and Procedures. To view the most commonly referenced campus policies and procedures, you can refer to the following websites:

- [Academic Integrity](#)
- [Activation for Military Service](#)
- [Change of Address](#)
- [FERPA/Privacy Rights](#)
- [Health Insurance/Mandatory](#)
- [Jean Clery Campus Safety and Security Report](#)
- [Proof of Immunization](#)
- [Policies and Procedures on the Protection of Research Subjects](#)
- [Rebemail Policy](#)
- [Student Conduct Code](#)
- [Student Computer Use Policy](#)
- [Title IX](#)

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To ensure compliance with Graduate College policies and procedures, please review the relevant sections of the [Graduate Catalog](#):

- [Academic Calendar](#)
- [Academic Policies](#)
- [Admission and Registration Information](#)
- [Degree Progression Policies & Procedures](#)

In addition, the [Graduate College website](#) contains additional information regarding policies and procedures.

Nothing in this handbook supersedes any NSHE, UNLV, or Graduate College policy.