SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY:
The Ed.S. School Psychology Track at A-State prepares students for careers as School Psychology Specialists/ School Psychologists. These professionals work with parents, teachers, students, educators, and others to best meet the educational and mental health needs of children.

Students who complete the program are eligible to take the Praxis II School Psychology Specialty Examination in order to become licensed as School Psychology Specialists with the Arkansas Department of Education or licensed School Psychologists with other State Departments of Education. Graduates of the track are also eligible to apply for national certification to become Nationally Certified School Psychologists (NCSP) through the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP).

Both full-time and part-time plans of study are available to students.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY: A PROMISING CAREER
U.S. Newsweek ranked School Psychology as the #1 best social service job based on salary, stress, flexibility, and upward mobility.

U.S. Newsweek ranked School Psychology as the 14th best job of 2013 (no other education or psychology professions were ranked).

Median Salary: $67,880

Unemployment rate: 1.4%

A predicted 22% increase in job openings by 2020 due in part to increasing demands from students with learning difficulties, special needs, and behavioral issues and the retirement of current practitioners.
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:
In addition to application materials required by the Graduate School, applicants must submit all college transcripts, acceptable scores on the GRE (Verbal & Quantitative Sections), provide 4 letters of recommendation (2 from professors) under separate cover, submit a statement of educational & career aspirations, and, if invited, appear for an interview with the degree committee.

Application materials are available from:  
Graduate Admissions  
P.O. Box 1570 • State University, AR 72467  
Phone: 870.972.2031  
Fax: 870.972.3406  
GradAdmissions@AState.edu  
AState.edu/info/admissions/graduate/index.dot

Students admitted to the degree program must demonstrate professional qualities consistent with those for effective performance in academic and practice settings. An applicant who qualifies may be admitted with or without conditions. To qualify for either admissions status, an applicant must meet criteria printed in the current A-State Graduate Bulletin.

For more information: AState.edu/psychology-counseling

LICENSED SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY SPECIALIST/SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST PROVIDE:
Assessment including testing  
Data Collection and Analysis  
School-wide Practices to Promote Learning  
Resilience and Risk Factors  
Consultation and Collaboration  
Academic/Learning Interventions  
Mental Health Intervention  
Behavioral Intervention  
In-service Education  
Instructional Support  
Prevention & Intervention Services  
Special Education Services  
Crisis Preparedness, Response, & Recovery  
Family-School-Community Collaboration  
Diversity in Development & Learning  
Research and Program Evaluation  
Professional Ethics, School Law, & Systems  
Supervision of Practicum Students & Interns

ACCREDITATION:
The degree program consists of 66-semester hours that requires coursework consistent with the training standards of the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) and Arkansas Department of Education standards. The program is NASP and ADE Approved.

MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED FOR DEGREE: 66
PSY 6613 ………..Theories & Techniques of Helping Relations  
PSY 6213 …………..Statistics & Research Design  
PSY 6573 …………..Psychological Testing  
PSY 6603 …………..Professional School Psychology  
PSY 6583 …………..Individual Intelligence Testing  
PSY 6613 …………..Professional Consultation  
PSY 6523 …………..Child & Adolescent Psychopathology, Prevention, & Intervention in the Schools  
PSY 7563 …………..Theories of Learning  
PSY 7223 …………..Research Design & Program Evaluation  
PSY 6513 …………..Advanced Educational Psychology  
PSY 7513 …………..Psychoeducational Assessment  
COUN 7463 …………..Couples & Family Counseling  
PSY 6523 …………..Behavioral Assessment & Intervention  
PSY 7523 …………..Psychoeducational Interventions  
COUN 6603 …………..Social Cultural Aspects of Counseling  
PSY 7583 …………..Developmental & Differential Psychology  
PEN 6763 …………..Philosophies of Education  
PSY 7633 …………..Physiological Psychology & Psychopharmacology  
PSY 6713 …………..Practicum in School Psychology X 2  
(6 Sem. Hrs. = 300 Clock Hours)  
PSY 782V …………..Supervised Internship X 2  
(1200 Clock Hours)