



ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR EDUCATION SPECIALIST DEGREE

Concentration: School Counseling

Documents needed

- Application for Admission
- \$25 application fee
- Official transcripts from all universities attended (graduate and undergraduate)
- Three letters of recommendation from faculty members who taught courses within student's master's degree program (not necessary for students with master's degree from APSU)
- Official acceptable GRE scores
- Military documents if applicable
- Formal admission (reply from committee) from the Psychology Department

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Unclassified Admission

Students in the EDS – School Counseling program are not eligible for unclassified admission. All requested application materials must be submitted prior to admission.

Regular Admission

To be admitted, an applicant must satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. A minimum cumulative graduate GPA of 3.0, showing that a **Master's degree has been earned**
2. GRE scores of at least 400 verbal and at least 400 quantitative
3. Completed competency courses or their equivalent necessary for licensure as a guidance counselor in the state of Tennessee
4. Psychology department admission approval
5. Academic preparation and licensure appropriate to the graduate program

Conditional Admission

An applicant *may* be granted conditional admission status if he/she does not meet the criteria for regular admission. In consultation with the department, the Dean of the College of Graduate Studies may grant conditional admission to a student. Students admitted conditionally must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 during the first 12 graduate semester hours completed at APSU. Failure to maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA during the first 12 semester hours of graduate coursework results in suspension from the graduate program.

Denied Status

Applicants who do not meet the regular or conditional criteria for admission will be denied admission to the program.

Program of Study

Within the first nine credit hours, you must initiate a program of study by contacting your advisor or your department secretary. Education students are especially urged to do this as early as possible.