


The Department of Educational Psychology at Texas A&M University offers graduate programs in Educational Psychology with an emphasis in *Developmental Sciences*. We are currently accepting applications for our *Master's and Ph.D. programs*. Application deadline is *December 1<sup>st</sup>*. Below is information on our faculty who will be accepting new doctoral students. We also include information on our core curriculum. For more information and to apply for our Ph.D. program with a *Developmental Sciences* specialization, please visit: <https://epsy.tamu.edu/academics/developmental-sciences/>

**Faculty in *Developmental Sciences***  
(who will be accepting new Master's and Ph.D. students)

Faculty Name & Professional Role	Research Expertise
<p><a href="#"><u>Idean Ettekal</u></a>, Assistant Professor</p> 	<p>Peer relationships; prevention of antisocial behavior; aggression/bullying/violence</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>Jeffrey Gagne</u></a>, Assistant Professor</p> 	<p>Child temperament and psychopathology; child self-control; behavioral genetics</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>Jeffrey Liew</u></a>, Professor and Program Coordinator</p> 	<p>Emotion and self-regulation; resilience; prosocial development; social and emotional processes</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>Laura Stough</u></a>, Associate Professor</p> 	<p>Disaster and disabilities; educational &amp; social services for people with disabilities</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>Steven Woltering</u></a>, Assistant Professor</p> 	<p>Educational neuroscience; self-regulation in typical and atypical populations (ADHD); biometrics</p>

Master's Program in Educational Psychology  
**Developmental Sciences Specialization**  
Course Requirements

[EPSY 602](#) Educational Psychology | 3 Credit Hours

[EPSY 622](#) Measurement and Evaluation in Education | 3

[EPSY 635](#) Educational Statistics | 3

[EPSY 636](#) Techniques of Research | 3

One of the 2 Human Development courses:

[EPSY 646](#) Issues in Child and Adolescent Development | 3

[EPSY 647](#) Development and Aging | 3

[EPSY 673](#) Learning Theories | 3

Elective:

RMS and CCID |14-18 Credit Hours

Total Credit Hours: 32-36

University Minimum Credit Hour Requirement= 36 for Med, 32 for MS

For more information about the Master's program, please visit: <https://epsy.tamu.edu/academics/developmental-sciences-masters/#m-ed---m-s--curriculum>

Ph.D. Program in Educational Psychology  
**Developmental Sciences Specialization**  
Course Requirements

**FOUNDATION COURSEWORK** (9-12 credit hours)

- EPSY 602 Educational Psychology (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 673 Learning Theories (3 credit hrs.)

At least one of the following:

- EPSY 646 Issues in Child and Adolescent Development (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 647 Life Span Development (3 credit hrs.)

**SPECIALIZATION COURSEWORK** (12 -18 credit hours)

At least two of the following learning sciences courses:

- EPSY 606 Motivation and Learning (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 634 Educational Neuroscience (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 689 Developmental Neurobiology of Learning (3 credit hrs.)

At least two of the following developmental sciences courses:

- EPSY 689 Social and Emotional Development and Interventions (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 689 Interpersonal Relationships (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 689 Temperament, Behavior Problems, and Psychopathology (3 credit hrs.)

**RESEARCH DESIGN & METHODOLOGY COURSEWORK** (minimum 21 credit hours)

- EPYS 622 Measurement and Evaluation in Education (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 635 Educational Statistics (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 636 Techniques of Research (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 625 Advanced Psychometric Theory (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 640 Experimental Design in Education I (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 641 Experimental Design in Education II (3 credit hrs.)
- EPSY 633 Qualitative Research Design and Data Collection (3 credit hrs.)

**ADDITIONAL ELECTIVE/SPECIALIZATION COURSEWORK** (1 or more credit hours)

Courses both within and outside of EPSY (including additional courses in developmental sciences, learning sciences, or research methods may count toward elective coursework. Students should consult with their advisor or program committee's to identify appropriate electives.

**DISSERTATION RESEARCH** (minimum 12 credit hours)

- EPSY 691 Dissertation Research Hours (variable credits)

- The Developmental Sciences Specialization requires a minimum of 64 credits beyond a master's degree to earn a Ph.D. (The minimum is 96 credits for those without a Master's degree.)

- Select courses may be waived for students who have successfully completed comparable graduate coursework and/or are able to demonstrate requisite knowledge and skills.

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