PURPOSE OF PROGRAM
The Master of Arts (M.A.) degree program in Applied Educational Psychology aims to prepare culturally competent scientist-practitioners and researchers to effectively contribute to the psychological development and well-being of children and adolescents. The degree provides students with a strong foundation in Educational Psychology theory and principles as well as the skills to apply this learning to relevant contexts (e.g., educational settings, clinical settings, community settings, industrial/organizational settings, home settings).

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
An advanced degree in educational psychology provides a wide range of career opportunities across educational, industry, and nonprofit sectors. Across a wide range of jobs, educational psychologists are needed to translate data for educational practice and policy decision making. An M.A. in Applied Educational Psychology is an ideal degree for teachers seeking advancement in educational settings, for administrators seeking advanced training in data analysis and data translation for educational practice, and for anyone interested in positions across industry or nonprofit sectors seeking expertise in foundations of motivation, learning, and development as well as data management, analysis, and applications in educational settings.

PROGRAM SPECIFICS
The MA/AEDP program requires the successful completion of a minimum of 36 semester credit hours and is:

- Designed to provide students flexibility and autonomy in their graduate level studies. Students will work closely with educational psychology faculty. This concentration includes coursework in human development, motivation, learning, research, statistics, evaluation, and educational policy. Students may supplement these with courses from other disciplines (e.g., psychology, sociology, educational leadership, special education, bicultural/bilingual education).

Students who attend part-time (6 hours each semester) complete the program in 3 years on average.

"The faculty members were amazing in many different ways, such as the instruction they brought to the classroom and the patience and mentorship outside of the classroom which supported my professional growth."

- Shawn Brewington
ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

• Applicants must provide official transcripts indicating a Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university in the United States, preferably in a related field such as Psychology of Education, or show proof of equivalent training at a foreign institution.
• Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professional references. Appropriate sources of letters include professors, supervisors, employers, and similar individuals with whom the applicant has a professional relationship and should specifically address the applicant’s academic and/or professional skills, and potential to succeed in a rigorous graduate program.
• Applicants must prepare a Statement of Purpose (approximately 500 words) which outlines the applicant’s (1) reasons for pursuing the M.A. degree in Applied Educational Psychology, (2) experiences relevant to the M.A. program, and (3) career plans.
• A Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least a 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in the last 60 semester credit hours of coursework for the baccalaureate degree, as well all graduate-level coursework taken (if applicable).
• Complete requirements, forms, and directions are available on the UTSA Graduate Catalog > catalog.utsa.edu

Students who do not meet the minimum admission requirements should contact the program’s Student Development Specialist and consult the Graduate School Catalog for more information, special, or conditional admissions.

HOW TO APPLY

Scan QR code to apply. Upload unofficial transcripts and any required documents to the online Liaison application. If admitted, submit official transcripts to: graduate.documents@utsa.edu

FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

To apply, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA):

> studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

Graduate assistantship positions available within the college (average of 19 hours per week)

Additional graduate student scholarship information:

> graduateschool.utsa.edu/tuition-funding/
> future.utsa.edu/scholarships/
> education.utsa.edu/current_students/scholarships

Cost of Tuition:

> https://www.utsa.edu/financialaffairs/services/fiscal-services/
> tuition-fees/tuition-estimator.html