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## DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT & PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL STUDIES

### GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM OFFERINGS:

- Educational Psychology (Ph.D.)

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#### MISSION

The Department of Human Development & Psychoeducational studies (HDPES) offers unique and competitive programs at the undergraduate, masters, and doctoral levels. The mission of HDPES is to meet the human development, educational, and psychological needs of a multicultural society. Advocacy is at the core of the HDPES programs, which equip graduates to be leaders of change, reflective practitioners, and engaged researchers. Graduates are steeped in a knowledge base that is designed to eradicate the effects of racism in education, research, and human service delivery. HDPES programs prepare educators, psychological practitioners, and researchers for leadership roles and challenging careers in schools, colleges/universities, community programs, government, and other career settings in research, service, and policy serving individuals and their families.

#### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The PhD in Educational Psychology emphasizes the practical application of learning and development theories to the study of human behavior. Students majoring in educational psychology pursue an empirically-based interdisciplinary program of study. The primary objective of the program is to produce psychologists who are capable of performing scholarly research and evaluation studies and practitioners who are skillful in applying principles of psychology to the resolution of developmental and educational problems. In particular, graduates are expected to think critically; analyze and solve problems; make ethical decisions; apply knowledge by linking theory with practice; understand and use technology; know and understand self, history, and community; assume leadership roles in the global community; and demonstrate knowledge, sensitivity, and skill in working with special-needs and diverse populations.

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#### APPLICATION SUBMISSION DATES

**Early Decision: December 1st**

**Regular Decision: April 1st**

#### Program Admission Requirements:

- Howard University graduate online application and non-refundable application fee
- Statement of Research Interest
- Autobiographical Sketch
- Official Transcripts
- Three Letters of Recommendation
- GRE Scores

Applications may be submitted for review through April 1st, but applicants who wish to apply for internal fellowships must apply by the early decision deadline, December 1st.

To apply for programs in the Department of Human Development and Psychoeducational studies (HDPES), please visit the website for additional admission requirements <https://education.howard.edu>. Contact us at 202-806-7350, [hdpes@howard.edu](mailto:hdpes@howard.edu) if you have additional questions or comments.