



**ST. JOHN'S
UNIVERSITY**

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE OF
LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Master of Science in School Psychology



ABOUT THE M.S. IN SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY

Completion of the 66-credit Master of Science in School Psychology qualifies students for a provisional New York State certificate that authorizes practice as a school psychologist. This certificate is valid for five years from the date it is issued. After two years of experience, a school psychologist receives a permanent certificate in the field of pupil personnel services. Students must successfully complete a comprehensive examination and the PRAXIS II examination to receive their degrees.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH AN M.S. IN SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY?

Completion of the M.S. in School Psychology at St. John's University, along with New York State certification, allows graduates to work in school settings in grades Pre-K–12. Most school psychologists with an M.S. degree work in public schools, but other places of employment may include private schools, special education preschools, and early intervention centers.

Although the M.S. in School Psychology program is designed to prepare students for professional practice, it is also academically oriented and provides solid preparation for further graduate work in the field.



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MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

I am delighted to introduce the M.S. in School Psychology at St. John's University. This program prepares students to work in school settings providing school psychological services to children, youth, and families. The St. John's program offers students unmatched opportunities in training and practice to better prepare them for the profession of school psychology. Students receive hands-on training and supervision at our Center for Psychological Services and in field-based externships.

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RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Students in the school psychology program work with faculty to produce research projects that can lead to professional conference presentations and publications. They regularly participate in workshops and continuing education initiatives offered by the department and the University. Throughout their studies, students build electronic portfolios to showcase their work to future prospective employers.

Recent school psychology students have completed internships throughout the tristate area.

ASSISTANTSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND FINANCIAL AID

The University awards a limited number of graduate assistantships to qualified students each year. Assistants generally work 15–18 hours per week. These positions provide tuition remission for a maximum of 15 credits and sometimes a stipend. For more information about assistantships, as well as other types of financial aid and scholarship awards, please see the *Graduate Bulletin* (stjohns.edu/bulletin).

PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

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