

# SPECIALIST IN SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY (S.S.P.)

**Web Site:** <https://twu.edu/psychology-philosophy/prospective-graduate-students/school-psychology/specialist-program/>

## Degree Requirements

### Total Semester Credit Hours Required

62 semester credit hours (SCH).

First Year		
Fall	TCCN	SCHs
PSY 5423 Cognitive Assessment		3
PSY 5533 Evidence-Based Intervention: Academic		3
PSY 5803 Introduction to School Psychology & PSY 6931 and Practicum in Applied Psychology		4
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>10</b>
Spring	TCCN	
PSY 5463 Academic Assessment		3
PSY 6444 Theory and Practice of Counseling with Children and Adolescents		4
PSY 6703 Direct Behavioral Interventions & PSY 6931 and Practicum in Applied Psychology		4
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>11</b>
Summer	TCCN	
PSY 5473 Social-Emotional Assessment of Children		3
PSY 6423 Psychopathology and Exceptionalities in Childhood and Adolescence		3
PSY 6773 Advanced Multicultural Psychology		3
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>9</b>
Second Year		
Fall	TCCN	
PSY 5923 Supervised Practicum ( School I )		3
PSY 6104 Cognition and Emotion		4
PSY 6853 Supervision and Consultation Psychology		3
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>10</b>
Spring	TCCN	
PSY 5304 Advanced Psychological Statistics I		4
PSY 5923 Supervised Practicum ( School II )		3
PSY 6233 Preschool Assessment (including Autism)		3
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>10</b>
Summer	TCCN	
PSY 5853 Seminar in School Psychology		3
PSY 6673 Therapeutic and Crisis Interventions for Children and Adolescents		3
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>6</b>

Third Year		
Fall	TCCN	
PSY 6933 Internship in Psychology		3
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>3</b>
Spring	TCCN	
PSY 6933 Internship in Psychology		3
<b>SCHs</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total SCHs:</b>		<b>62</b>

## Internship

School Psychology students are required to complete at least one academic year of supervised internship experience consisting of a minimum of 1200 clock hours, at least 600 hours of which must be in a school setting. The student will consult with the Internship Coordinator in order to arrange for appropriate placement. The internship cannot begin until the student has completed all coursework and passed the Exemplars Review.

## Special Requirements

Students in the Specialist program must maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale. If a grade less than a B is earned in any course, the student is required to repeat the course and meet with the student's faculty advisor. In courses where students earn a grade of CR (e.g., practicum and internship courses), any grade other than a CR is considered failing and will be treated in the same manner as when a student earns a grade less than a B in other courses.) If a second grade less than a B/CR is earned, the student will again be required to retake the course and meet with the advisor, and this second low grade will require meeting with the School Psychology Program Committee, who will develop a remediation plan. If a third grade less than a B/CR is earned, the student will be dismissed from the program.

## Comprehensive Examination

The capstone evaluation is the internship portfolio, which consists of items that interns complete during the internship year. Successful completion of internship is dependent upon the successful completion of the internship portfolio as well as other evaluation procedures (e.g., supervisor evaluation, etc.).