



Yarmouk University

**Faculty of
Educational Sciences**

Ph.D. in Educational Psychology

Program Overview


The PhD program in educational psychology focuses on providing students with the information and skills required to comprehend the psychological processes that influence learning and teaching. The program examines how psychological, social, and cultural aspects influence curriculum creation and implementation, teaching strategies, and student performance assessment. One of the university's initial PhD programs was in educational psychology. It is a program that focuses on understanding the processes of learning and teaching, explaining how the learning process occurs, and what factors and conditions stimulate learning and teaching processes, as well as preparing a researcher with the research skills necessary to carry out practical and empirical investigations in the diverse domains of educational psychology.

Program Vision

To be an international pioneering PhD program in educational psychology that generates innovative educational knowledge and practices. The program's goal is to teach and prepare qualified scholars and professionals capable of understanding and analyzing current educational issues using rich theoretical underpinnings and advanced scientific methodology.

Program Mission

The program's mission is to produce capable leaders with extensive research and analytical skills in educational psychology and to empower them to contribute creatively and effectively to educational systems and practices. The program aims to create an environment within the educational setting that fosters creativity and scientific inquiry, improves graduates' capacity to use psychological theories to address challenging academic issues, and helps them establish career opportunities in research and education.



Program Objectives

The goals of the Educational Psychology PhD program are to:

- Teach candidates the fundamentals of educational psychology.
- Offer candidates the opportunity to receive instruction on the connections between psychology and education.
- Describe, in detail, how well students comprehend and how critical thinking affects learning.
- Challenge students to solve critical issues in the area of educational psychology.
- Conduct empirical research in educational psychology.
- Offer students the information they need to understand the variety of roles that educational psychologists play.

Program Outcomes

- Integrates theory and research on the development of human thinking in education.
- Creates evaluation tools for various groups of pupils.
- Follows ethical standards in their line of employment.
- Uses theory and practice to help students enhance their thinking skills.
- Makes use of available data to make sound decisions.
- Uses critical thinking abilities in the candidates' sector of employment.
- Conducts research in educational psychology, focusing on motivation and lifelong learning.

Program Importance

The PhD program in Educational Psychology is significant because it provides individuals with a thorough grasp and precise analysis of educational and psychological processes in education. This specialization allows candidates to specialize and delve into a topic that helps to improve the quality of teaching and learning while also gaining abilities in analyzing educational policy and designing successful educational programs. Furthermore, it adds to the enrichment of scientific knowledge through student-led research, as well as providing chances for creativity and uniqueness in advancing the area of educational psychology and improving teaching and learning in general.

Targeted Groups and Accepted Majors

To be considered for admission to this program, candidates must:

1. Fulfill the Higher Education Council's requirements.
2. The bachelor's and master's degrees must be in a subject that qualifies them for specialized study in the department to which they intend to apply, according to regulations by the department.
3. Hold a master's degree in educational psychology
4. Hold a master's degree in psychological, educational, or medical specialties.
5. Complete successfully the language criterion for admission to the program, in accordance with Higher Education Council decisions.
6. Meet any further criteria agreed on by the appropriate committees and councils.

Job Areas

Graduates of the PhD program in educational psychology can find employment in a variety of sectors, such as:

- Universities—local, regional, and international.
- Educational institutions including colleges, universities, and centers for vocational training.
- Healthcare facilities, including clinics and hospitals.
- International organizations dedicated to providing both psychological and social assistance.

Credit Hours and Tuition Fees

The program requires students to successfully complete (54) credit hours.

The cost per credit hour is:

For Jordanian students is 100 Jordanian dinars.

For non-Jordanian students is 350 US dollars.

Study Plan Overview

The program requires students to complete (36) credit hours from courses at the doctoral level (700 level), in addition to any additional courses deemed necessary by the department that were not covered in the student's previous studies. Additionally, students are required to pass a comprehensive examination after completing the courses.

Furthermore, students are required to register for the thesis, comprising (18) credit hours, during which they conduct field research, prepare the thesis, and successfully defend it. Before defending their thesis, students must also pass the acceptance for publication of a research paper in one of the university's peer-reviewed and approved journals, derived from their theses.

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