

Currently the Department of Professional Studies is admitting candidates to the **School Counseling option ONLY** for the Master's of Education Degree in Counseling.

Psychometrists are generally employed by public school systems and provide intelligence, achievement, and personality testing to children who are referred with educational, emotional or other problems. Psychometrists may also test children for admission to advanced programs for the intellectually gifted and assist in determining if students suffer from mental retardation, learning disabilities or other problems. School counselors and psychometrists may often take part in multidisciplinary decision making processes in the school and assist in developing individualized educational plans.

Psychometry students are required to take a course on the Stanford Binet Intelligence Scale and the Welscher Intelligence Scales. In addition, there are courses in multicultural counseling, alcohol and substance abuse, marriage and family counseling, and treatment planning in counseling with the use of the DSM-IV. In the 1992-93 academic year, the average salary for Pyschometrists was about \$40,000. Certification in Psychometry by the Alabama Department of Education allows the psychometrist to carrying out assessment activities in the schools. Certification is not the equivalent of licensure to work on a fee basis in private practice testing such as those services provided by licensed professional counselors and licensed psychologists.

Useful Links:

[National Association of School Psychologists](#)

Click on the link below to view the course of study.
<http://www.southalabama.edu/coe/forms/cedpsya.pdf>